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Iran threat to close the Gulf Japanese impose sanctions Benn warning of war danger East German trade agreement

account of the meeting is cor-rect, the Iranians can assess how seriously they should take the threat of military action. The disclosure of disagreement in the White House co-incides with an appeal from influential church leaders urg-

ing restraint on Mr Carter. A delegation representing the United Methodist Church banded the President a statement vesterday calling on him "not to give in to those who counsel military intervention, nor to take steps which will lead eventually to war."

In addition, Mr Robert Byrd, the powerful Democratic leader of the Senate, has called on the administration to consult Congress fully before it embarks on any military action.

He has said that the advice of Congress must be taken into account before the crisis deteriorates into a military confrontation.

Labour revolt: Threats of a breakdown in the bipartisan approach between the Govern-ment and Opposition to economic sanctions against Iran became apparent last night (Michael Hatfield writes). Though ministers were expressing confidence after a Cabinet meeting that legislation would have a virtual trouble-free run through Parliament, a group of Labour backbenchers signalled

While the majority of the Shadow Cabinet have reserva-tions about the Carter administration's handling of the crisis, they would support sanctions.
The only declared dissenter is Mr Denis Healey, Labour spokesman on treasury affairs.

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was those who attended a special

Gunships and jets attack

Kurdish rebel city

devastated radio and television station, but the Kurds are

guerrillas, from an assortment

of leftist groups that form the dominant political forces in the

area, counter that the Army is preventing medical supplies from reaching them.

a Phantom jet destroyed much of the city hospital yesterday and that helicopter gunships killed 50 civilians on the

They say a rocket attack by

bench foreign affairs group spake out against sanctions. It was argued that sanctions would increase the crisis and bring

military action a step closer.

There is pressure for a fullscule debate inside the Parliamentary Labour Party and if
the majority holds firm there
the Shadow Cabinet would be
forced to change its strategy.

Legislation is to be intro-duced in Parliament in three weeks time to meet the May 17 deadline. Though the Government can act under the provisions of Import Export and Customs Powers Defence Act 1939, additional legislation is needed to cover the shipment of goods and new service contracts.

The Cabiner was given an upto-date assessment yesterday of the Iran situation by Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary. He is to visit Washington on May 3-6.

Ministerial optimism that the Government would have little trouble with legislation on sanctions is founded on declarations from the Opposition front bench in recent weeks. But there is clearly unrest, not only among Labour backbenchers, but also among some Tories. Those Conservative MPs feel the introduction of sanctions could create a dangerous prece-dent for a Conservative Govern-

While Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, recog-nizes the arguments about the efficacy of sanctions, he be-lieves that Britain should participate as part of the wider interests that the country has with the United States.

But his general view, and one he expressed in an interview with American TV networks yesterday, was that President Carter should "play it long". He also made it clear, as has Mrs Margaret Thatcher, that he would not countenance military

Mrs Thatcher and Mr Cal-laghan are expected to have talks on the issue before the sanctions legislation comes be by the leak. If the meeting of the Labour back- fore the Commons.

down a plea by the guerrillas, whom it called "criminal armed

groups", for a ceasefire yester-day. An Army statement said the Kurds had broken their

will not be deceived".

The fighting in Saqqez appeared to be of a similar nature, with the guerrillas sur-

Stalemate as rail union rejects 20% pay offer

By David Felton

The spectre of a confrontation on the railways was raised yesterday after a surprise decision by the executive of the main rail union to reject a 20 per cent pay offer.

Meetings were hastily arranged to try to break the impasse which has arisen after the National Union of Railwaymen's rejection. The other two unions have accepted the offer, which are the commitment which was tied to a commitment to the introduction of productivity measures.
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The NUR's decision was un-expected, not least to Mr Sydney Weighell, general secre-tary, who after the offer was made last week was confident that it would be accepted. He and the other NUR negotiators recommended the offer to the executive but they were over-ruled by 21 votes to 6.

A meeting between the NUR and the other two unions, the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen tive Engineers and Firemen (ASLEF) and the white-collar Transport Salaried Staffs Association (TSSA) is being held in London this morning, when Mr Weighell will try to persuade them to go back into negotiations with him.

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If there is agreement between the unions, which is by no means certain, they will meet British Rail negotiators again next Tuesday. But last night Mr Clifford Rose, British Railways Board member for industrial relations, said: "There is no room for manoeuvre."

Mr Weighell said yesterday that the executive had thrown out the offer, first because it was linked to productivity improvements, and secondly because it was to be paid in two stages, 16 per cent from April 21, the annual settlement date, and he remaining 4 per cent from June 30.

During a heated meeting lasting several hours, Mr Weighell was unable to persuade the executive that it was

suade the executive that it was the best deal the union could get. "I thought we had satisfied and provided all the safeguards that my executive wanted, but I must now try to persuade the other unions to take the line that my executive has decided."

He said it was too early to talk about industrial action but added that he expected British Rail management to meet the union. "They cannot afford not to talk to us. It is as important to them as it is to us to find a settlement." The executive, he said, was

concerned about maintaining the living standards of the 100,000 members covered by the negotiations and could see no staged. Åsked whether the executive was prepared to dis-cuss productivity. Mr Weighell said: "They did not say yes and they did not say no."

The productivity proposals are aimed at improving the marginal profitability of British Rail's freight and parcels businesses and reducing administration costs. Further and more wide-ranging plans which were have so far been killed and many more hundreds injured.

In Sanandaj the Kurds have cut off two Army units, one holding out in a former officers' chub, the other in the down one helicopter gunship and damaged a Phantom jet, but there was no confirmation of this.

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wide-ranging plans which were also to have been negotiated with British Rail would have led to further pay increases.

Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of ASLEF, who is in Perth for the Scottish TUC and is unlikely to attend today's meeting of the unions, said last night that he was surprised by night that he was surprised by the NUR decision.

But he indicated that his union, which has 25,000 members covered by the agreement, would be prepared to join the Would be prepared to join the
NUR in pressing for immediate
implementation of the increase.
Mr Buckton will probably be
represented at today's meeting
by Mr Donald Pullen, his

nature, with the guerrillas surrounding troops in the town's
garrison but the Army launching actillery, tank and helicopter fire from the outskirts.
There was no clear news
today on the progress being
made by two Army relief
columns, one battling to move
from the outskirts of Sanandaj
to Saqqez, the other moving
from the south on Sanandaj
itself. The guerrillas claimed to
have killed at least 50 soldiers
in attacks on the columns,
which appeared to be moving A spokesman for TSSA, with 50,000 members in the agreement, said: "We are dismayed by the NUR decision but these things happen. We are not instreets.

According to the eye-witnesses, the whole city is closed and guerrilla youths are busy erecting barricades and making petrol bombs. Many inhabitants were said to be fleeing the city. The guerrillas claimed to be dead with difficulty.

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Mr Rose said: "The rejection of the agreement by the NUR is a surprise and disappointing."
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prescribe the route, to indi-vidual events."



Anderson campaign continues: Mr John Anderson, the Illinois Congressman, who yesterday announced his decision to run as an independent candidate for the American Presidency. Mr Anderson has been contesting the Republican nomination, but he said that he could no longer hope to win it. He had campaigned actively in six pri-

maries, but won none of them. Mr Anderson is conservative in economic policies, liberal on social issues and a moderate in foreign affairs. Announcing his decision, he said:
"Too many people in our nation are disillusioned with the prospective choices our party structures are offering."
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Crisis point imminent for Chrysler US

slump, its cash on hand dwindles, and debt repayments fall due. The company urgently needs about \$1,500m (about £670m) of government loan guarantees, but these can only be provided if Chrysler meets

several conditions. United States treasury officials have been studying new financing and operating plans provided by Chrysler since last Friday.

A treasury spokesman said the decision depends on the findings made by officials on the practicability of the new Chrysler plans. "No one can say at this point what the outcome of the analysis is going to be", said the spokesman.

Mr William Miller, Secretary of the Treasury and chairman of the Chrysler Loan Guarantee

Board that has been established by the Congress, hopes to announce a final decision early next week.

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Stock markets: Prices continued to drift
lower in equities as a result of the Middle
East problems while gilts encountered
profit taking. The FT Index closed 0.4
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From Frank Vogl
US Economics Correspondent
Washington, April 24
Chrysler Corporation is ters, such as its dealers and suppliers and state and local governments and private banks. There is no flexibility Chrysler Corporation is banks. There is no flexibility swiftly reaching a desperate on the key point that to obtain situation as its new car sales guaranteed loans from the guaranteed loans from the Government the company must show it can raise \$1,430m from outside sources,

It now seems unlikely that Chrysler will be able to prove it can do this, but much can change in the next few days, and in this regard the Canadian Government might play a key

role.
Chrysler has plants in Canada and the government there has indicated that it is willing to provide loans to the company, although it seems highly improbable that the amounts will be anything like the \$600m that Chrysler is hoping for.

News reports in Washington had suggested that the Treasury Secretary might announce a decision on Monday. Treasury officials said this was unlikely, and it was not even certain that a meeting of the Loan Board could be con-vened before mid-week.

suarantees stipulated that possible and have been since Chrysler must obtain set we received the plans on amounts of unguaranteed loans Friday", a Treasury official

Wider curbs | Hot rocks water to

being studied

By Peter Evans
The Government is studying ways of tightening the law to prevent public disorder at demonstrations. A Green Paper disclosed yesterday that wider notice power to apply condi-A vast reservoir more than 5,000 feet underground will provide hot water and heating police power to apply condi-tions to processions was one option being considered.

The Green Paper says that £5.75m was estimated to have for a new development of shops. offices and flats in Southampton in Britain's first application of geothermal energy.

Experiments by the Institute of Geological Sciences, which began last October as a £1.8m strations which needed the attendance of 100 or more officers in London in 1979. project of the Department of Energy, show that there is enough heat for 1,000 homes To provide power to ban a march only because most people found offensive the views of those involved would for more than 30 years from the first borehole drilled. Many more wells can be sunk

be an unacceptable infringe-ment of traditional freedom, the Green Paper says.

"The better course might be The successful experiments in measuring the potential energy available from this source were announced in the Commons yesterday by Mr John Moore, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department of

> energy through water heated by hot rocks in the earth's crost was a new technology for Britain, but systems of this kind were working in Europe.
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> Over the past five years the French Government couraged the rapid development of this form of alternative energy. More than a million homes and other buildings obtain their primary supply of energy in this form.

amount of energy that can be taken continuously from this source and show that a con-tinuous stream of hot water at between 65 to 70 degrees centi-grade can be sustained for several decades.

King Khalid calls off state visit to Britain

King Khalid of Saudi Arabia, offended by the ATV film Death of a Princess, is understood to have cancelled plans for a state visit to Britain.

The fresh embarrassment to the Government coincides with the first business contract lost because of the showing of the television film.

Earlier this year, King Khalid was reported to have accepted an invitation from the Queen to visit London in lune.

The Chargé d'Affaires office at the Saudi Embassy said yesterday: "No official yesterday: "No official announcement was made". The Foreign and Commonwealth Office said: "No visit has been announced. We can't make any

comment."
It is is understood King Khalid was to have come in place of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sophie of Spain, who had to abadon advanced plans for their first state visit.

The North-East Wales Institute of Education announced plans the characteristic state of Education announced processes.

vesterday it had lost the chance of a £300,000 contract because of the tension between the two

countries.
A Saudi minister was to bave visited the institute this week for negotiations, but has cabled that he will not now be coming. Saudi Arabia is Britain's biggest customer in Middle East markets, taking exports worth

The Foreign and Common-wealth Office said yesterday that Mr James Craig, the ex-

How to find railway lost property in Russia

From Michael Binyon Moscow, April 24

Moscow, April 24

The stationmaster at Kupyansk noticed a strange man walking along the track and peering at all the trucks.

"Hey, what have you lost?", he asked sharply. "I'm looking for a railway truck with our equipment in it", the stranger replied promptly.

"What sort of equipment? "What sort of equipment? Anyway, where are you from?"

"My name is Yuri Prokin and I'm the truck searcher for the Reftninsky power station near Sverdlovsk. At the moment I'm looking for a lost truck that's carrying a generator."

carrying a generator."

"Good heavens; have you come all the way from the Urals?" the stationmaster asked in astonishment. "Why are you down here looking for your truck in Kharkov?"—a town more than 1,000 miles away.

The truck searcher explained that he had begun at the station where the generator was dispatched and had followed the route it should have taken, calling in at all stations to see whether it had been shunted

into a siding by mistake. The stationmaster became excited. There was a flat truck with a huge metal object that had been waiting in a slding for a month. No one knew who

owned it.

Mr Prokin rushed over to identify his missing generator. The power station back home, he said, had come to a complete standstill without it and to the stationmaster's suspicious demand for proof, he produced a telegram from the director to the Ministry of Railways requesting the urgent

Railways requesting the urgent location and dispatch of truck number 4730092 and its load. The stationmaster agreed it was his, and explained it had been shunted into the siding because the load had shifted while it was passing through the station. Mr Prokin, overjoyed, accompanied his prod-igal truck home and life returned to the power station.

But not for long. There was e new snag—the plastic control panel for the generator was missing. It had left Tashkent and failed to arrive. Mr Prokin packed his case to set off again.

First, however, he called at the local railway headquarters in Sverdlovsk to ask for help. They wanted to know if it was really worth organizing a nationwide search for the absconding truck, and handed him a form to make an official complaint. He was told to indicare the value of the lost item and wait.

Mr Prokin decided to go to Tashkent himself, however, another 1,000 miles away. At the goods station there the staionmaster explained that a woman had mixed up the truck numbers, and would be repri-manded. The missing truck had goue to Saratov, and from there it had gone to Astrakhan on the Caspian shore. After a lot more searching Mr Prokin found it and brought it home. But scarcely had he had time to rest when a new crisis

wealth Office said yesterday that Mr James Craig, the expelled ambassador, would be returning to London in a day or two. The Saudi authorities had not instructed him to leave within 24 hours, as sometimes happened.

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Hugh Thomas, the historian, one of three winners of the Arts Council's first national book awards, surprised a distinguished literary audience in London by refusing his £7,500 prize. His objection was to the state's intervention in industry and the arts. His book argues that the state's role foreshadowed the decay of civilizations, he explained

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'Rush' angers MPs

Strong protests were made by Mr Callaghan and other Labour MPs over what they claimed was an attempt by the Government to rush through the Social Security (No 2) Bill, which puts restrictions on the up-rating of most social security benefits and introduces the "deeming" provisions reducing benefits to strikers' families Page 2

Judicial view on jail Prisons were so overcrowded that non-

violent perty offenders should not be jailed, Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, said in the Court of Appeal. If there was no alternative to a prison sentence, it should be as short as possible
Law Report, page 25 Husain plea to EEC
King Husain of Jordan appealed to the
EEC to launch a new peace initiative in

the Middle East to save the region from "a state of confusion, rurmoil and

growing anger

Hugh Thomas refuses Secrecy covers new 'Countryman' case

The secrety surrounding the investiga-tion into allegations of London police corruption, known as Operation Coun-tryman, has reached a stage where it is claimed that senior Scotland Yard officers were not told for three days this week that a London man had been charged and had appeared in a London

Recession in US

President Carter's top officials are no longer hiding the fact that the United States is in a recession. At the same time new ferecasts from the Interna-tional Monetary Fund show a sharp slowing in the growth of industrialized countries this year. They predict a rise in output of only 1.4 per cent in 1980, against 3.4 per cent last year Page 17 Paris: Mr Gromyko meets plain speak-ing at the Elysée 6 Energy in Britain: A four-page Special Report on the nation's vital reserves

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Equipment for pumping hot water to the surface at March-wood, near Southampton, will be ready later this year. The tests have established the

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Arts, page 11
Nicholas Wapshott, reviewing the week's new films, finds talent and money alike misspent in Steven Spielberg's 1941; Irving Wardle on Romeo and Juliet at Stratford; Michael Church on the BBC 1 play; The Imitation Game: William Mann on the Philharmonia and Sveilanov
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Football: Norman Fox looks at the resurgence of English football on two levels: Racing: Top British jockeys to compete against Americans in new competition; Golf: Ballesteros one stroke behind the leader in Madrid open; Boxing: New date for Minter's world championship defence
Stock markets: Prices continued to drift As the water has a high con-tent of minerals, the energy system needs a heat exchanger to transfer power to the usual water supply. Extensive devel-opment work has been done on heat exchangers over the pass six years because of their im-portance in energy conservation, hence the provisional designs for the geothermal project are expected to supply water that has dropped by only one or two degrees Similar advances have occur

red in the development of special pipes for transporting bet water over long distances without dissipation of energy. Thus the Wessex basin, stretching from Southampton to Bournemouth, provides a very valuable discovery. There are indications that other similar size deposits exist.



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Print union threatens to intensify disruption in Fleet Street to back campaign in the regions

Labour Editor

Leaders of the National Graphical Association (NGA) the National decided yesterday to confirm and extend the disruptive action of its Fleet Street members which prevented publication of The Sun.

Production is likely to be halted without notice by pulling out a few craft printing workers guerrilla" operation against national newspaper publishers with provincial interests. The NGA has been provincial in dispute with provincial newspapers and general printing firms over pay for the past

Companies belonging to the Newspaper Society and the British Printing Industries Federation have already begun sending out notices of suspension to 45,000 printing crafts men operative from Monday, in retaliation for the industrial action taken by the NGA.

After the spread of the dispute to Fleet Street, Sir Richard

Marsh, chairman of the Newspaper Publishers ASSECTION (NPA), made an appeal to NGA repeat the dis-Publishers' Association leaders not to repeat the dis-ruption at The Sun or at any other Fleet Street office. He also wrote to Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, asking for urgent TUC inter-vention to prevent any widening of the industrial action. Sir Richard's plea for Fleet

20 per cent

By Our Labour Staff

inflation rise

More than half a million white collar local authority workers are to seek a 20 per

cent pay rise, only three months

after they won a 13 per cent

increase in the wake of a cam-

paign of industrial action.

The National and Local

Government Officers' Associa-

designed to protect the in-

creases gained by Nalgo's recent

extremely successful action from the ravages of inflation.

The employers are hoping to restrict pay increases, due from

July 1 to within the 14 per

cent cash limit fixed by the

industrial action last month,

The union's campaign of

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bility payment.

night and firmly rejected.

Mr Joe Wade general secretary of the NGA, said after be considered. The move is wards: "We have to face up to understood to have the approval it, the employers have pushed of Mr William Keys, chairman us over the brink. We must of the TUC Printing Industries now fight for a just settlement: Committee and general secret-

180 a week for skilled workers ary of the largest printing is little enough in these in fla-tionary days, and we need the and Allied Trades (Sogat). 375-hour week to deal with new technology and the threat to national newspaper "So owners with interests in Fleet Personnel (Natsopa) have ac-

the disaster their managements else, this dispute will destroy the myth that all printers get Fleet Street wages."

Most national newspapers have interests in provincial pub-lishing, and would therefore be vulnerable to lightning NGA action of the kind that prevented publication of The Sun, number of where a small foundry men walked out.

In his letter to the TUC general secretary, Sir Richard said that NPA members felt extreme concern at being involved in a dispute that did not concern Fleet Street union agree-ments but affected only provin-cial papers in membership of the Newspaper Society and members of the British Printing Industries Federation. He also emphasized that "the dispute ruption, on the ground that the emphasized that "the dispute out employees. many of whom dispute concerned only provincial newspaper and general the use of guerrilla tactics bepart in the month-old dispute.

printing companies, was put to ing adopted by the NGA curthe NGA national council last rently in Fleet Street".

Members of Sogat, and the other main printing union, the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Street will have to accept that cepted the employers final they cannot be cocooned from offer of £75 a week for craftsmen with a 37}-bour week outside Fleet Street have now phased in over the next two embarked upon. If nothing years. The NGA is still insisting on payment of the full claim of £30 a week plus the shorter working week now.

The provincial paper and general printing employers' joint negotiating committee met vesterday to implement the ultimatum given to the NGA earlier this week: put the offer out to ballot, or all NGA members will be suspended without pay. Letters advising employers to take that step went out last night, but the union says that some had already begun issuing notices of dismissal.

Mr Peter Medcalf, president of the printing federation, voiced industries " extreme anger" that printing employers were "being forced by irresponsible union action " to lock

Nalgo seeks | AUEW opens fight to retain steel jobs

From Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

The Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers yesterday declared its outright opposition to the British Steel Corporation's closure and rundown plans, involving the proposed loss this year of 52,000 jobs. At its meeting in Blackpool tion (Nalgo) is also asking for a 570 minimum weekly wage for 18-year-olds, the introducthe national committee of the union, the second biggest in the corporation, also demanded an tion of a 35-hour week and improvements in holiday and inquiry into the running of the steel industry, and the "increaslong service leave.
Mr Michael Blick, leader of ing imports of foreign steel into the country ". the union negotiating team, said last night: "The claim is

The unanimous backing from the 52 delegates for the decision came at the first policy conference of a steel union since the end of the 13-week national strike in the industry.

Mr Gavin Laird, an executive member said after yesterday's debate: "We will instruct all our members that if they take action in defence of jobs, then they will have the support of our union."

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corporation and Government to decelerate the proposals.

Earlier Mr Laird said that the strike should never have happened, and when it did, it should have ended a damned sight sooner than it did." He claimed that the union

had been in the forefront of the fight to retain jobs, but it could only succeed to the extent that its members in the industry were prepared to combat redundancies. Mr Laird accused manage-

ment, in the face of an increase in imports of 8 to 20 per cent over 13 years, of taking an "inexcusable" decision to inexcusable limit its own exports,

"The management abdicated their responsibility and ran away from the market oppor-

The executive could face con-troversy over plans for a new pay structure, which will increase the salary of more senior full-time officials by between 25 and 27.5 per cent. The argument behind the

plan, which provides for a basic 20 per cent increase for all 190 sion would strengthen the full-time officials, is to restore union's hand in discussions differentials to provide a through the Trades Union Con-measure of career structure in



Mr Bernard Shrimsley : leav-

News of the World' editor to go

By a Staff Reporter News Group Newspapers an-nounced in a brief statement esterday that Mr Bernard Shrimsley, the editor of the News of the World, is to vacate the editorship by mutual agree-

Mr Shrimsley, whose brother, Mr Anthony Shrimsley, edits the magazine Now!, was made editor in 1975 and appointed to the board the same year.

He previously edited the Liverpool Daily Post and be-came deputy editor of the News Group's newspaper The Sun when Mr Rupert Murdoch took control in 1969.

The News of the World has the largest circulation of any British daily or Sunday news-

paper. "Special problems": Mr Larry Lamb, editorial director of News International, said that The Sum's success had created special problems for the paper (Sheila Black writes).

The Sun publishes six days a week the kind of story, saucy or sexy, which had been the special prerogative of the News of the World and people bought that paper because there was nowhere else to read those of their "togging stories. But sales of the Sunday ances, voted over paper have been falling.

Secret BL talks to avert Jaguar dismissals

Midlands Industrial Correspondent

Senior management of BL met Transport and General Workers' Union officials and shop stewards in conditions of great secrecy last night, to try to avert the threatened dismissal of 1,800 men on strike at Jaguar, Coventry-Journalists who tracked the talks down to the company's

management training centre at Haseley Manor, in the depths of the Warwickshire countryside, were turned away by works police

The centre has been used extensively for union-management meetings in recent months but this is the first time the media have neither been informed nor given facilities to await the out-

A BL spokesman explained: Management wants the talks to take place in private. There will be no statement after-

After the three-hour meeting

Mr Eddie McGarry, a senior shop steward said: "I do not think that will help to settle the Jaguar strike. The company simply reiterated its position". In a carrot and stick approach on Wednesday BL first offered the Jaguar strikers a joint union-management panel under an independent chairman to investigate their complaints about

the downgrading of assembly workers. It followed this con-cession some four hours later with a warning that they would be dismissed unless they reported for work before Monday

Men laid off were recalled vesterday, and both Jaguar factories opened to all who re-ported for work. About 2,800 turned up but 1.800 assembly workers and engine builders staved out

A mass meeting of 1,000 strikers at Longbridge in sup-port of 50 welders and body finishers protesting at the loss of their "togging-up" allow-ances, voted overwhelmingly to return to work.

Post workers face more efficiency proposals

By Our Labour Staff Postal workers, who have voted overwhelmingly in favour of a productivity-linked 15 per cent pay increase, will be asked at their union conference next month to approve further efficiency proposals.

The proposals to the Union of Post Office Workers conference entail branches enter-ing into local productivity schemes, which are based esseneive 70 per cent of the savings which accrue to the Post Office from the scheme. This money will be shared in the form of Union agreement to the pre-

increases on basic pay. the Post Office to ensure that summer

there was no repetition of last summer's mail delays, when the public was asked not to post letters. After the ballot, age restric-

tions on recruitment to the sorter grade have been lifted. In the ballot union members voted by 138,330 to 17,290 in substantial fillip for the union leadership and particularly Mr Tom Jackson, the general secretially on mobility of labour. tary who were defeated at a Postmen and sorters will re- special delegate conference last month after recommending a

similar - package. The only major difference in press.

mission has announced plans to close 17 Skillcentres and

annexes over the next three

years. The number of places

available for retraining people will increase slightly after the

Closure of the centres will mean the loss of 150 jobs, but

no redundancies, and a saving of 56m a year. The commission,

which has been ordered to

make cuts by the Government as part of its drive to reduce

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By Our Labour Staff

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MPs protest at attempt to 'rus through' social security Bill

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Strong protests were made by Mr Callaghan and Labour MPs yesterday about the Govern-ment's attempt to "rush" through the Social Security (No 2) Bill. The Bill puts restrictions on the up-rating of most social security benefits and brings in the "deeming" provisions, reducing benefits to strikers' families by £12 a week.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Security, caused the first rumpus at the first meeting of the Standing Committee considering the detail of the Bill, moving that the committee should meet on Wednesdays and Tuesdays. Thursdays each week, with no time limit on the sittings.

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By George Clark

IRA killing campaign halts during talks

From Christopher Thomas Belfast

The Provisional IRA's murder campaign against prison officers is in abeyance pending the outcome of top-level talks aimed at ending the "dirty pro-test" by Republican prisoners at the Maze prison.

Cardinal Tomas O Fizich, Roman Catholic Primate of All Ireland, and Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, have met twice in the past two months and a third and probably final meeting is to be held soon. Nine prison officers were murdered in Northern Ireland-last year. The Provisionals last killed a prison officer in mid-

The IRA has made it known that if the O Fiaich Atkins talks continue the murder campaign against prison officers will remain in abeyance. If the talks fail the killings will

January:

resume. The "dirty" campaign is in three of the eight H-blocks at the Maze, where more than 350

and are fouling their cells. The Government's attitude to the dirty protest has been sell out in: a long document produced by the Northern Ireland Office. The 355 prisoners taking part included, it said, 55 convicted manded at said, 55 convicted at the said at the convicted of artempted murder; mean Bill did not go f
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The closures received a hostile reception from the Society of Civil and Public Servants,

lities can be provided.

Republican prisoners are refus-

From Our Correspondent

38, a senior official in the town hall at Stockport, Greater Manchester, who is employed to deal with the press, says he has received threats on his life and faces expulsion from his union because he spoke to the

now £11,000 a year. He calcu- union's allegations.

said that that was not the main

reason for the cuts. Sir Richard O'Brien, the

commission's chairman, said

that if it had been just a ques-

tion of saving staff and money the commission would probably.

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people being retrained at a centre will probably have to travel to another centre.

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Of the 20 centres originally

Skillcentres face closure to save £6m

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Threats after letter on pay

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which represents some of the workers who will lose their Christopher Easte the society's officer for the MSC, said last night that the openly, yet it is what me the Tory rebels have bee commission announcement was the Tory rebels have been one of "lies and half truths". ing privately all this wee

Mr Samuel Silkin, QC., the last Labour Attorney General, is among more than 30 MPs of all parties who have signed a Com-mons motion deploring the prosecution and imprisonment of Mrs Cynthia Payne, who was convicted of keeping a brothel in Streatham, London. The motion, also signed by

The motion, also signed by another former Cabinet Minister. Mr Wedgwood Benn, approves the non-prosecution of the many male customers allegedly involved. It says that Mrs Payne received "an unnecessary sentence" of 18 months, when "she poses no threat to the community" and when the cost of imprisoning when the cost of imprisoning her will be £140 a week. Among the motion's Conservativ espeakers are Mr Charles Irving, Miss Janet Fookes, and Mr John Wheeler,

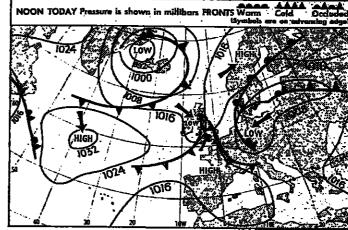
Labour motion on defence

The Opposition last night tabled a motion for the Commons defence debate on Monday rejecting the Government's proposed increase in defence spending.

The motion states that the estimates fail to set out clear priorities for the 1980s, commit the Government to increases in expenditure for in excess of economic growth forecasts and offer no new initiatives towards nuclear and conventional dis-

The Prime Minister yesterday by Mr Hayward, general Ronald Hayward, general secretary of the Labour Party. of making trade unions "the scapegoat for all our troubles". He was addressing the Scottish

under threat of closure those at Maryport, Doncaster and Ply-



Today

Sun rises : 5.44 am Moon sets : 4.16 am Full moon: April 30. Lighting up: 8.44 pm to 5.12 am.

A slack area of low pressure will extend SE across Britain.

London, SE. central N England, E Midlands: Cloudy, bright intervals, early mist in places, scattered showers; wind variable, light; max temp 12° to 14°C (54° to 57°F).

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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, deside,

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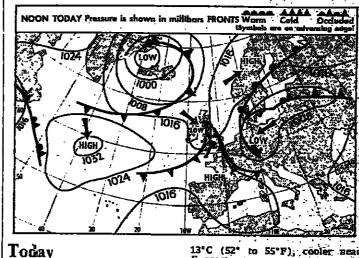
MPs deplore jailing of brothel keeper

By Our Political Editor.

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Weather forecast and recordings



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Green Paper suggests wider police control of marches Black pupils £7,500 Ar

Home Affairs Correspondent

Ways of providing more flexibility in measures to preserve public order while allowing freedom to demonstrate are discussed in a Green Paper published yesterday.
But it s=ys: "No amount of tightening of the law, short of

draconian measures unacceptable in a democracy, can guarantee the prevention of all " If there are those who seek

violence and confrontation, they are unlikely to be prevented by changes in the law from having it. What the law can do, how ever, is to clarify individuals' liberties and obligations, and to give the authorities sufficient powers to try to prevent disorder before it occurs and to cope effectively with it if it nevertheless breaks out.

In the end, the avoidance of disorder depends on the willingness of us all to observe

the law."
The Green Paper quotes examples of the sort of events which have taken place since the disturbances in the 1930s attending the activities of the British Union of Fascists and the Public Order Act passed to cope with them.

It refers to recent disturbances not only at Southall but Lewisham and Ladywood in 1977, Digbeth in Birmingham in 1978 and Leicester in April,

The number of demonstrations in London involving the employment of more than police officers was 55 in 1972 and 119 in 1979. In London, the total manpower deployed for all major demonstrations has in-creased from 19,000 to 1972 to 108,000 in 1979. The number of people arrested at major demonstrations in London in 1974 was 247, but 536 in 1979. The larger number of police officers necessary may have reinforced misconceptions of the police role.

Cost of policing demonstrations

The report of the Metropolitan Police Commissioner for 1978 estimated the cost of policing 18 big demonstrations in London at almost £2.5m. He put the cost of policing all demonstrations in London in 1979 which needed the presence of 100 or more officers at about 55.75m. There are other costs to the community, the public and for court hearings.

The review has as its starting point the need to safeguard the rights of peaceful assembly public protest and the right to public order and tranquillity. It is the task of Parliament to determine from time to time where the balance should lie and of the police and courts ensure the balance is observed in particular, the Green Paper says.

The police depend for their effectiveness on the consent and the cooperation of the public. In Britain they do not have sophisticated riot equipment. such as tear gas or water cannon, to handle demonstrations. Their traditional approach is to deploy large numbers of officers in ordinary uniform in the passive containment of a crowd. Neither the Government nor the police wish to see this approach abandoned in favour of more aggressive methods."

There is, under our law, no statutory right to assemble in a public place or to process along the highway, although the European Convention on Secret Human Rights, of which the order, United Kingdom is a signatory, guarantees the right of freedom

of assembly.

But the courts have recognized that people are free to proceed along the highway, subject to certain specific re-strictions. In particular, they



Police holding pickets in check outside Hadfields' steelworks, Sheffield, during the steel strike in February.

can do so provided that they do not interfere with the use of the highway by others or cause a nuisance to occupiers of property adjoining the high-

The existing law on public order, which is complex and fragmented, contains much that is designed to enable the police to cope with disorder once it occurs. But it contains relatively little short of a ban on a procession to help them prevent order before it breaks out. The Public Order Act 1936 is the main exception to that. Unlike other powers available to the police which can be exercised only after an offence has been committed, the Act provides, in respect of processions, powers to take preventive action where a proposed event is likely to cause serious dis-

In respect of threatening, abusive and insulting conduct and (by virtue of the amendment made to the 1936 Act by the Race Relations Act 1976) incitement to racial harred, the Act makes unlawful certain types of words and behaviour which are offensive to the community at large or sections of

have been used less frequently in recent years than immediately before the 1936 Act was passed. In all, they have been used in England and Wales on distinct occasions since 1936 falthough that figure includes as single occasions periods from 1937-39 and from 1948-51 when an almost continuous ban was in force in certain areas). The powers have also been used recently in Scotland.

Section 3 of the Public Order Act 1936 provides that in England and Wales outside London and in Scotland, where a chief officer of police considers that the powers conferred on him by the Act to impose conditions on marches will not be sufficient to enable him to prevent serious public disorder, he shall apply to the district council (the regional council in Scotland) definition for an order prohibiting for up to three months the holding of all public processions or any class of public procession. Upon receipt of the application, the council may, with the consent of the Secretary of State, make an order. In similar circumstances in London, the Commissioner of the Metropolis or City may, with the consent of the Secretary of State, make an

The Green Paper says a ban on all political marches would undoubtedly be resisted as an encroachment on traditional liberties unparalleled in demo-The Green Paper adds: "Nor

can the Government agree with

Change in law opposed

The National Council for Civil Liberties last night strongly criticized the suggestion in the Green Paper that the criteria for a ban on marches could be made less stringent. Under present law, a ban can be imposed only when serious public disorder cannot otherwise be avoided. The council objects to the suggested omission of the word "serious".

It also criticizes the Government's belief that five days' notice of processions might be given. That idea was rejected by Lord Scarman in the Red Lion Square inquiry and more authority Bills. The council says: "The demonstrations that have resulted in public order problems are not those that the might be lessened if there recently by the House of Commons when dealing with local have taken the police by surprise.'

the argument that, since much ing outside certain limited of the recent disorder has areas, however, would be altoresulted from confrontations besupporters National Front and others, including members of the Socialist Workers' Party, there are grounds for banning one or other of these organizations or both."

But would it be right for marches to be banned where serious offence is likely to be caused to certain sections of police be asked to enforce laws based on a criterion of tice too stringent".
"offensiveness" without be. It can be argue coming seen as the agents of one political or social view?

The Government's provi-sional view is "that the fact munity. It can also be argued that a march is being con- that local ratepayers should not ducted by people who hold have to suffer a reduction in views which the majority of normal police cover nor finance the community find offensive expensive mutual aid arrangeshould not in itself be a sufficient reason to ban the versial groups, drawing muca march". To provide power to of their support from outside ban on such grounds alone the area, to express their views. would be an unacceptable infringement on traditional freedom of thought and ex-

Difficulty of

Should the test rather be disruption to the local com-munity? The difficulty, as with a test of "offensiveness", would be defining it suffici-ently precisely without presenting opportunities for undue interference with democratic

There are already provisions forbidding the holding of parades or meetings in certain areas, either absolutely or without permission, and the Green Paper, says, "there may be arguments for some limited cratic countries. There would extension of restrictions of this type. To introduce provisions forbidding processions or meet-

gether different. The Green Paper says: "The

better course might be to give the police a wider power than at present to apply conditions, including a power to prescribe the route, to individual events." The Government's provisional

conclusion is "that the risk of public disorder should remain the basis on which a ban on an event is considered, though the the community, for example, addition of other criteria need on racial or religious grounds, not be ruled out. . . . It this is even though serious disorder is accepted, the question then not likely to ensue? Could the arises whether the test of serious public disorder is in prac-

It can be argued that the rights of demonstrators are being given too much weight as ments in order to enable contro-But the suggestion of a public order test linked to the ity of a force to cope with disorder from its own resources

Paper says. Restrictions would effectively limit freedom to demonstrate in some areas while in consequence placing a heavier burden on others. But the policing of demonstrations does divert police effort from other tasks. "One way of taking this (and incidentally some of the cost coniderations) into account might be to enable the effect of an event on the policing of an area as a whole to be taken into

seems impractible, the Green

consideration, along with the risk to oublic order, when a ban was being discussed."

The test of serious public disorder in the 1936 Act is linked to the power to impose conditions on a procession as well as to ban one. "The stringency of the test may have had . . a more serious effect in restraining the use of the power to im- less be desirable to introduce

ing the number of bans on marches. There seem good reasons for some relaxation of the present test if the rights of those who wish to march and those of the rest of the community are to be properly bal-Section 3 of the Public Order

Act does not permit the ban-ning of a particular march. But any narrowly defined ban might be circumvented by skilful org-anizers calling themseives by a different name or finding a difwere a requirement to give ad-

Referring to debate about procedure to ban, the Green Paper suggests that one compromise might be for powers at present vested in England and Wales in the district council might perhaps be conferred on the county council, if only to avoid the chief officer having to seek ban after ban from different councils if an organization kept on switching its marches from district to district in the same locality.

Under the Public Order Act, there is no power to arrest those who defy a ban or who disober routing instructions given by the police. The Gav-ernment is inclined to think ir desirable that notice powers to disperse an unlawful proces-sion for assembly, by reasonable force, if necessary, should be clarified by being embodied

Provisional conclusion

A power to impose conditions' on the conduct of a procession is contained in Section 3 (1) of the 1935 Act. That gives a chief officer of police power, where he has reasonable grounds for apprehending that a procession which is taking place or is to take place may occasion serious public disorder, to give directions imposing such conditions as appear to him to be necessary to preserve public order. In practice it appears to have been used by the police with The Government's provisional

view is that public order considerations should remain the ground for imposing conditions on a march, as for banning it, although the stringency of the test of serious disorder might usefully be relaxed and the addition of other criteria need not be ruled out.

"If on balance it was felt undesirable to lessen the test of serious public disorder for banning a march, it might neverthe-

a less stringent test simply of disorder) for the application of conditions to a march. The power to impose conditions with reasonable cause would remain in the hands of the

police." Should demonstrators be required to meet the costs of policing their demonstrations? Aithough the Government has a good deal of sympathy with feelings that often lie behind

such suggestions, practical difficulties seemed formidable. The Government sees more merit in the representations that have been made on many occasions in favour of a national requirement for advance notice of processions."

If there were any new con-trols, the first question is to what type of public assembly they should apply. "The diffi-culties that have arisen in preserving order have in the main occurred as a result of gatherings of one sort or other in the

There may therefore be a case for considering whether a requirement of advance notice and the powers to lay down conditions and, in the last rescri, to ban on public order grounds should apply to assemblies on people in public pose conditions than in limitplaces in the open air (including the highway).

Consideration would have to be given to the sorts of activity which should be exempt from those provisions. They might not apply, for example, to peaceful picketing, though they could apply to large-scale demonstrations in support of pickets."

committed to the view that controls of a more or less extensive character are neces-sarily desirable.

No significant evidence

The Government is unaware, however, of any significant evi-dence to suggest that the wearing of political uniforms is a general problem at present or that the existing law is inadequate in that respect. Section 4 of the Public Order Act makes it an offence to carry any offensive weapons at a public meeting or procession without lawful authority. The Government would welcome views on whether there is any case for extending police powers in that context to take preventive action.

The Government sees no need to change Section 5 of the 1936 Act as amended which makes threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour in a public place or meeting ar offence.

Section 70 of the Race Relations Act 1976 inserted a new section (Section 5A) into the Public Order Act 1936. That made it an offence for any person to publish or distribute written matter or to use in any public place or at any public meeting words which were threatening, abusive or insulting in a case where racial hatred was likely to be stirred up against any racial group in Great Britain by the matter or words in ouestion.

Since Section 5A came into force in 1977, 15 people have been prosecuted for incitement to racial harred or conspiracy incite racial hatred or both. Nine were found guilty of in-cirement to racial hatred.

" Notwithstanding figures, it has been argued that the present provision is still largely ineffective, and in particular that it does not catch activities which cause grave offence to the ethnic minority communities.'

The Green Paper says the review will consider both the scope of Section 5A and its purpose. Review of the Public Order Act 1936 and Related Legislation: (HM Stationery Office, £2.50).

Leading article, page 15

given a Council helping hand prize refus by the law

From Arthur Osman Bedford

The headmaster of a large school with 82 per cent coloured pupils told a crime conference yesterday that, given the opporright approach the police would be accepted by young blacks.
Mr Stephen Allart, head of Holre school, gave the first review of the six month "Lozells project" in which a team of police officers beined significantly to lessen tensions in the largely coloured area of Handsworth.

The conference at Cranfield Institute of Technology, Bed. ford, heard that the project, would cost £36,000 this year. It is being closely monitored by More than 60 fourth year

pupils are involved in a special curriculum plauned and operated by members of the West Midlands police, the education authority and one of the school's teachers. school's reachers. The children are split into three groups and attached to them for each weekly 90 minute.

lesson are an average of six Mr + Allatt said : "The most telling factor in accepting the implementation of the project was the deep concern about police community relations in the area."

Undoubtedly the social prob-lems in the West Midlands had their microcosm in the school, with over 82 per cent of the 1,800 pupils from ethnic minori ties living in a deprived area.

Pupils were cogniselled hidividually and in groups, a chiefinspector conducted a detailed examination of a case invalving liberary figures that his a West Indian youth, and in saddened by Mr. The vited pupils to the police station refusal. But it is very to pursue the matter further, his flecision is a hard one, "This frenkniss proved the on a strongly left printering point." Mr. Allait said. Plante Veronica Wed. From then on the hostility evaporated and a climate of acceptance quickly developed Sir Philip Knights, Chief Constable of the West Midlands. who was instrumental in start-

leading to over-reaction. It may well be that we a book it was taking should take a fresh look at pre- Mr. Robinson said after venive policing and see if a that the Arts Council spearhead could not be pro- many purposes to whice vided to reclaim some of the could devote unexpected ground lost."

by historia

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter A Therary award of

was returned to the Arts

col during a prize-p ceremony in London las by the winner, Hugh T the historian It was a he said; at the microen the state in society. Mr Thomas was one o prizewinners in the Arts cil's first national book :

in the history or bio category, for his wor Unfinished History o He is head of the Cen Policy Studies and a

socialist. After the chem

presented to him by M neth Robinson, the chairman, Mr Thomas was - a very great honou he was flattered, para because the book was by Dame Veronica Wed the section judge. But he went on to sa cles, and please don't Pm being discourteous, not think I can kee theque. The reason is the last chapter of my book of a great deal on mo: count of time dealing such matters as the role

state in manufacturing dustry, and implicitly, pairon of the arts.

"I have attributed the vention of the state t decay of civilizations ar collapse of societies; to after a great deal of a this cheque."

Mr. Robinson

never regarded the Arts ing the project, told the con view of his bonourable fer ference of groups which, "when and now I have met him, subjected to real or imaginary he has acted in a very he harassment, or when runous able way. It is a wood and speculation masquerade as book and I should have fact, can quickly polarize attent in his strictures on state vention but I was taking

Volunteer officers 'ignore at Bristol riot further bloodshed misht

By Our Crime Reporter Extra police reserves were occurred available in Bristol during the Council leaders in Briot in the St Paul's area three have called for a meetir weeks ago but were not used, local representatives to provide the council of the state of the an article says in this week's a repeat of the riot (Quedicion of Police, the magazine Correspondent writes). of the Police Pederation.

In an examination of the riot of Avent-County Council, the article claims that off duty Mr Claude Draper, lead officers who volunteered to Bristol City Council, said help were ignored and eight special support units were never. brought in ; the police withdrew from the riot area and waited for reinforcements from surrounding forces. The article says: "What dis-

turbs some members of the force (Avon and Somerset) and outside observers is the apparent absence of an contingency plan to cope with serious public disorder in the area. "It is not a confidence-booster when a chief constable tells the media, at the height of the trouble, that the police have been withdrawn because their presence was merely provoca-

But the article goes on 10 say that Mr Brian Weigh; the Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset, may have been right to act as he did on the ground, that early restoration of the control of

Council leaders in # Sir Gervis Walker, chai

a private meeting yeste We are anxious to ex how best we can help i veloping social ties an creating a stable and i community. "We are asking rep

tatives of the local comm the Manpower Services mission, the police and Go ment departments to join a meeting in which we to identify the underlying lems in the area.

Shields issued Police issued with riot shield Wednesday night to deal stone throwing youths in Paul's area, it was com yesterday (the Press A: tion reports).

A police officer said trouble started after a to commemorate Mr. Peach, the teacher will police presence could not during a demonstration achieve its objective and Southall.

coroner, Dr. John Burt

whom the 20-volume repo

Apology for former police chief over Confait book Mr Alan Keith Jones, a Court of Appeal by the Home

former detective chief superin- Secretary. tendent, who led investigations into the death of Maxwell Con-fait, accepted an apology in the In the introduction to the book fait, accepted an appropriate this conduct with action against Mr J ment of a libel action against Mr Jones considered that the authors and publishers of a would be constructed as imply-book, The Confait Confessions. ing that he had given perjured Mr Jones of University Ships and the same of the confessions.

record. One of his investigations Confair, for which three youths were convicted, although their from criticisms in the book of convictions were subsequently police behaviour, they apoloquashed on a reference to the gized to him.

The investigation and trial criticisms were made of police

Mr Jones. of Upper Shirley
Road, Croydon, had sued Mr
Jonathan Caplan, Mr Christopher Price and Marion
Boyars Publishing Ltd.
Mr David Vaughan, his counsel, told Justice O'Connor that Mr Jones retired on pension in 1977 with an exemplary record. One of his investigations

ing that he had given perjured evidence at the trial or was in some way guilty of corruption. The main concern of Mr Jones had been to vindicate his reputation and integrity as a police officer.

Mr David Eady, for the defendants, said they had never intended to suggest that Mr Jones had behaved corruptly

Mr Jones had behaved corruptly was into the killing of Maxwell or given perjured evidence and if such inference was drawn

Patients to get breakfast of rolls and jam to save cash

Patients in Berkshire's 32 hospitals anyway."
hospitals will wake up to rolls, butter and iam from Thursday instead of the usual cereal and cooked breakfast.

The decision to change from a traditional English to a continental breakfast has been taken for financial rather than nutritional reasons, and it is causing a minor rumpus among staff who believe in patients starting the day with a hearty

Mrs Tessa Jowell, assistant director of MIND, the National Association for Mental Health, called the decision to make the £18,000 saving disgraceful. "It is indefensible that mentally ill people whose services re-ceive such low priority should once again be asked to deliver a saving to the district manage-ment team", she said. "Less money is spent on food in men-

butter and jam from next Mr Paul Walsh. East Berkshire's senior nursing officer (rezearch). "All the staff are outraged", he said. "There should be an increase in the food provision in long-stay pospitals.

Mr Walsh said it was not only the breakfast menu that would change under new proposals. High tea at 5 pm and supper at 7.30 pm are to be streamlined.

Berkshire's health budget is about £70m a year and the authority is expecting a £1.5m deficit because of the Government's reluctance to allow for inflation. It is hoped that West Berkshire will be able to save £12.000 and East Berkshire £6,000 by introducing the new breakfast.

In brief End of fagging at Eton

Fagging at Eton is to be abolished by the end of this Michael McCrum, the

Head Master who retires in July, said: "It is generally considered to be outdated. Outsiders are inclined to look at it in terms of Tom Erown's Schooldays."

Inadequate air supply led to pothole death

Ian Plant, a potholder, of Settle, North Yorkshire, died after going ahead with a dive 200 feet below ground even though he knew he did not have a fully supply of air, it was stated at an inquest at Kirrby Lonsdale, Cumbria, vesterday. A verdict of death by misadventure was recorded.

An office block at Trafalgar

Square, London, was evacuated

vesterday after two armed men were surprised inside the build-ing by a security guard. The

Gunmen flee offices

New survey ship A new coastal survey ship to help in the hydrographic survey of shipping routes round the British coast is expected to be ordered later this year. Mr

Unlucky gambol Mrs Ivy Scott, aged 67, of Cineton, Warwickshire, suffered a broken arm and back

John Nott, Secretary of State

for Trade, said yesterday.

injuries when butted and knocked down by a neighbour's pet lamb called Herbie. Assay Office to reopen A strike over the loss of 43 jobs at the Assay Office in Birmingham is over. The office, which has been closed for the past 10 weeks, will reopen on Monday.

Random breath tests urged to cut drink-drive deaths

By Annabel Ferriman Health Services Correspondent

Police should have the power to test any driver for excess alcohol in the blood and not just those suspected of being drunk, Mr R. H. O'Hanlon, deputy chief constable of Staffordshire police, said yesterday. Only if such random tests vere introduced would the drink-driving legislation regain its former impact and save perhaps one thousand lives a year, he told the Royal Society of Health's annual conference

in Folkestone.

The first breath-test Act in 1967 saved an estimated 5,000 lives in the subsequent seven years but gradually lost its impact. The situation was worse than it was before the 1967 Act was introduced, he said. "The police are the first to

arrive at the scene to sort out the chaos and pick up the hodies. Can you wonder that they have a glazed look in their eyes, as you trot out the old chestnut about the liberty of the subject, when they have just finished attending to a lovely young schoolteacher whose face has been Jacorated to shreds by being thrown through a wind

Three out of four drivers who were killed on Saturday night had excess alcohol in their blood. Nearly one in every two drivers in his teens and twenties, killed ou the roads, had excess alcohol in his blood. "Would you like to knock on the door and tell the parents of their loss?", Mr O'Hanlon

Other changes that would

reduce the toil of road accidents, which cost an estimated £20m in 1979 in Staffordshire alone, would be making seatbelts compulsory, driving tests more difficult and cars safer, he said. Car safety devices such as



glass windscreens were often available only in more expensive cars or as optional extras. New breath-tester: Nottinghamshire police yesterday launched a new type of breath test which uses coloured lights to test a person's alcohol level in place of the usual crystals (Our Nottingham Correspondent writes). The Nottinghamshire constabulary is testing the equipment and its findings will be passed on to other forces. The

machine, called Alert UKI, is

expected to improve methods

of detecting how much alcohol

a motorist has consumed before

taking to the road. It involves the driver blowing into a microphone-type attachment. The alcohol content of the breath sample is rear fog lights, head rests and displayed on lights

Whitehall seeks reaction to obscenity report

By a Staff Reporter
The Government is seeking comments on the Williams report on obscenity and film cen-sorship, which recommended widespread changes in the laws on obscenity and indecency.

Announcing the move yesterday, Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, asked that comments be in by July 31.

A consultation note outlining the report's recommendations is available from the Home

The committee, which reported last year, recommended a ban on a small range of material, with restrictions on pictorial material which would "offensive to reasonable people" so that it would only be available at special outlets, with warning notices and entry prohibited to those under 18. The committee also recommended no controls over exclusively written material, a ban on live sex shows, a statutory body to replace the British Board of Film Censors, and the removal of a local authority's powers to

Peach inquiry statement can be seen, Yard says

By Nicholas Timmins People who made statements to the police inquiry into the death of Blair Peach will be permitted access to them before. giving evidence at the resumed inquest on Mr Peach, which reopens on Monday, Scotland

Yard said yesterday.

The unofficial inquiry ser up
by the National Council of
Civil Libertles into the events at Southall in April last year, in which Mr Peach died, recommended earlier this week that all parties at the inquest should be given copies of the statements made to the police Southall or during Comminquiry, which was headed by Cass's inquiry, would be Commander John Cass, former, available. Those who head of Scotland Yard's come to see their statement ha plaints investigation bureau. Such a move has been refused copy would have to app by the police and by the maily through their solic

been made available; o ground that the police is is confidential Counse f Metropolitan Police, ho have access to the although the divisional has ruled that the polit or Burton are within rights to refuse access to the Peach family lawyers. Scotland Yard said yest however, that as in c proceedings statements m the police immediately Southall, or during Comm. to ask; those who war

BSC entitled to privacy, QC say

A public interest exists in the British Steel Corporation being allowed to conduct its affairs in private, Mr Leonard Hoffmann, QC, said in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

The corporation, as a public body, must be as much, or more, entitled to the protection of the same laws of confidentiality as any private company,

he said.
"It is in the public interest that a large nationalized corporation, entrusted by Parliament with the management of the iron and steel industry, should be able to prevent leakages of information which

help its competitors ordered to disclose the Persons who formulate policy of confidential docume for a great nationalized indus- obtained about British S try. like those who formulate The documents forme Government policy, must be basis of a programme able to have confidential dis-cussions between themselves ruary 4, which program and their advisers without fear British Steel's problems. that they will be pilloried in not just the result of to the basis of a leak of what they

have said, Mr Hoffmeun told

The court, presided over by Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, is hearing en appeal by Granada Television against a ruling by Sir Robert Megainst Vice-Chancellor of the Chancery

the court.

ment. Granada Television argued that it is in the

interest that journalists compelled to reveal sources. But there was if for the confidences sources? recognized as a public state of the confidences.

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ME NEWS.

ur Correspondent police officers were at Sheffield Crown sterday in the case in ic jury was vetted for

records.
Constables Michael dgkinson, aged 21, of Road, and Peter Oliver, aged 26, of d Road, both Sheffield, ed causing bodily harm en Palmer, aged 14. nain evidence against d been given to the Mrs Sheila Powell, a woman special con-10 was with PC Oliver. she was shocked to oficers frogmarch the ram his head against

agreed the boy was maker with a gang in sley estate district of and that Mrs Powell he force with the of a "do-gooder". fficers denied using ressary force and said struggles had caused slip. His head had contact with the wall. y, which took an hour its verdict, had not by Judge Pickles that in vetted. His decision e jury members had lenged by Mr James Chief Constable of kshire, who took the the Court of Appeal.

tael Harrison, for the n, said in the absence y that the judge had rutiny of records to w the chief constable ght he necessary to ails of the birth dates

ickles said he was o know what had in other verting e Northamptonshire though it was not known. Was their th dates of birth? d: "This is a matter public contention. I recently that the Appeal will have a jury-verting from onshire which will g on everyone and

e later said : "There iny reasons for the challenge of do not want it to there is one particu-in this case. If it is tain names should l instead of going ox to be challenged one."

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By Robin McKie
of The Times Higher
Education Supplement
There will be no new space
programme for the United
Kingdom before 1985 because
of the recent Government cuts
in the country's science based in the country's science budget. The reductions in research funding will also severely limit projects in biorechnology, and curtail spending on an ambitious satellite surveillance orderamme to monitor the

programme to monitor the earth's resources.

earth's resources.

Those decisions are concontained in the Science Research Council's plan for 1981 to 1985. It has been approved by the council and submitted to the Advisory Board for the Research Council, the part of the Department of Education and Science responsible for distributing the science budget.

budget. However, the council has However, the council has decided to approve spending on several big projects over the next four years. They will include the £9m optical telescope and the £5.7m millimetre radiation telescope for the United Kingdom Northern Hemisphere Observatory in the Canary Islands; a £2.3m investment in robusts research and

Canary Islands; a 12.3m investment in robotics research and
a commitment to participate in
the European large electronpositron (LEP) collider to be
built near Geneva.

In its submission to the
advisory board, the Science
Research Council outlines its
priorities for funding, given
that it is to receive annual
support which will now remain
relatively constant at about

£165m in 1979 prices. Those are spread over the research council's four boards: engineering; astronomy, space and radio; science; and nuclear physics.

physics.

The main engineering project will be implementation of the Roberts' report, published in Murch, 1979, which called for a substantial research council role in preparing Britain for the advent of the microprocessor. That will be done by setting up microelectronics programmes in schools, universities and at postgraduate and continuing education levels, and by establishing several large new research programmes.

A total of £9m is to be spent

A total of £9m is to be spent on the microelectionics pro-gramme, including £2.3m which will be invested in robotics research, particularly for the development of new techniques for industrial automation. A further £1.4m will be spent on new university MSc courses in integrated circuit design, £800,000 on research into microelectronic sensor and measur-ing techniques, and £900,000 to set up a Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) microchip plant at either Edinburgh or Southampton universities.

To provide money for the microelectronic programme, research projects in medical and civil engineering, and in marine technology, will have to be cut. Also, funds to support bintechnology research into the industrial use of genetic engineering, will be limited to £2.7m.



Shells for the nation: Mr William Ogden, of Woodbridge Suffolk, with his collection of shells, collected in Suffolk about 70 years ago, which he has donated to the British Museum (Natural History). Among many items in the collection is the type specimen of helix ogdeni, found by Mr Ogden in 1914. The collection was accepted on behalf of the museum yesterday by Mr John Cooper of the Department of Palaeontology.

Local elections: enthusiasm lacking in North-east

Labour seems likely to succeed

Newcastle upon Tyne
The outcome of the local
government elections in the
North-east can at least be predicted with a fair degree of confidence — continued Labour control with higher majorities.

Under the post-1974 local government reorganization procedure which still puzzles the general public, and makes it difficult for political leaders to stimulate any sort of enthus stimulate any sort of enthu-siasm, elections will only take place in six of the north-east districts, in the five districts and boroughs within Tyne and Wear Metropolitan County, and in Hardepool. These will all involve one-

third of the memberships only. Because of a dispute over the Birtley ward in Gateshead, the Home Office has not announced details of new boundaries in the region so there will be no "all out" elections.

A third of the councillors in Barrow-in-Furness, which used to be in Lancashire, but used to be in Lancashire, but is now in Cumbria, and therefore within the government's and the Labour Party's "Northern" regional structure, are also due for re-election. But in most people's minds (including the Conservative Party's), Barrow belongs to the northwest, certainly the Queen is still referred to there as the still referred to there as the Duke of Lancaster when loyal toasts are drunk.
All five of the Tyne and

Wear councils are firmly in Labour hands, and as the unemployment figures mount to
levels which are frighteningly
reminiscent of the 1930s, a
sharp anti-Government demon-

stration by-those who take the trouble to vote on May 1, seems

trouble to vote on May 1, seems unavoidable.

Labour's holdings in the 78-seat councils of Newcastle city, Gateshead, Sunderland, and North Tyneside, are respectively 44, 57, 53 and 44. In South Tyneside, Labour holds 41 out of 66 seats. In Hartlepool (where the unemployment rate has reached an awesome 13.5 per cent), Labour holds 23 out of 47 seats with an opposition of 16 Conservatives, three Independents, and five Ratepayers. Here, Labour could obviously well win undoubted overall control in a town where everything seems to be going wrong, even seems to be going wrong, even the possible loss of its pride and joy, the contract to restore the Victorian iron-clad, HMS

the Victorian iron-clad, HMS Warrior.

Newcastle contains the ingredients for the most interesting contest. The constitution of the council is 41 Labour seats plus ane casual vacancy previously held by the party, 31 Conservatives, two Independents, and three Liherals.

The city is in the forefront of the national argument about rate levels, with a 33 per cent increase this year bringing its

increase this year bringing its ligure to £1.76 p in the £. The Conservatives say that Newcastle is the highest rated town in the country with the increase 50 per cent above the Government's recommendation. One of the Labour candidates, mainthe Labour candidates, maintains, however, that people do pay more in Westminster and Chelsea.

The posters are going up to advertise the "Newcastle 900" celebrations marking the anniversary of the arrival in 1080

who built a castle here. With these celebrations the city is putting a brave face on its many misfortunes and bustling places like the Bigg and Grainger Street markets couvey a perhaps superficial impression of cheerfulness and prosperity. Almost daily the regional newspapers report another factory closure, and the regional unemployment figures released this week recorded a total of 132,295 out of work (9.5 percent), the worst statistics in the United Kingdom, with the exception of Northern Ireland. The total of workless is nearly 20,000 up on the figure recorded when the Government took power. It seems inevitable that the Conservatives will be blamed for that depressing trend, and for measures announced recently to reduce who built a castle here. With

nounced recently to reduce grants to such job-seeking bodies as the North of England Development Council.

The Conservative line is to fight back on the rates issue.

other rate rises include 37.3 per cent in Hartlepool, 23 per cent in North Tyneside, 28 per cent in Gateshead, 18.3 per cent in South Tyneside and 20.7 per cent in Sunderland.

The Liberals, who have three

The Liberals, who have three seats on Newcastle city council and four on Gateshead council, are taking a fairly realistic are taking a fairly realistic view of their prospects, but are fielding 30 candidates in the Tyne and Wear districts with some high hopes in Newcastle city and South Tyneside.

The total line-up includes a sprinkling of independents,

ratepayers and Ecology Party candidates, but there has been no showing from either the Communist Party or the National

Fire destroys offices of newspaper

From Our Correspondent

Colchester
The offices of the Bury Free The offices of the Bury Free Press in Bury St Edmunds, were largely destroyed yesterday by a fire which police said was deliberately started.

They are thought to be linking the fire with two other attacks in the past from other attacks in the past from the pressure of the past from the pressure of the past from the past f

attacks in the past few weeks, the worst of which was the destruction of the Bury St Edmunds sports centre.

Police said that the premises of the 125-year-old Suffolk weekly newspaper had been forcibly entered. More than 40 firemen fought the blaze and firemen fought the blaze, and at one stage 150ft flames leapt through the roof. The library containing material dating back to the founding of the news-paper was saved from serious damage.

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Correspondent

evil, whatever the Velsh fire-raiser was rd Hooson, QC, the at Dolgellau Crown medd, yesterday. Roberts, aged 41, a Mr Huw Daniel, for the pro Adwy Ddu, Peneth, was jailed for rs after admitting

to an empty cottage, ore than £4,400 of was in Tanuary at the the arson campaign second homes in M. Lewis Jones, for e, said there was no

Counsel added Before committing the offence, whisky and some beer, and swallowed some of his wife's sleeping tablets.

asons for setting that matter whether arson was com-fire may never be mitted for a political motive, te added. According greed, insurance money, or per-

Roberts was of low intelligence and was addicted to drink. he had drunk half a bottle o

secution, said the cottage at Penrhyndeudraeth belonged to a local farmer who was renovating it. The fire had been started by lighting hay, which had apparently been soaked in parafin. When seen by the police next day Mr Roberts's clothing had hay adhering to it. His best matched foresticts found boots matched footprints found outside the cottage. Lord Hooson said it did not

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Correspondent efulness of tacho-in road accident highlighted by Hails, North coroner, at a crash inquest at rent yesterday.

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ag out of his lorry on shoulder of the M6 field in Staffordshire. run over when his s struck by a French hard Lambourn, a scientist, said the

Three Dartmoor fires when

horseman rode by An Army officer with binoculars who watched a horseman on Dartmoor dismount three times and start fires gave a warning yesterday of possible danger to human lives because of the dry ground and strong winds.

Up to 50 square miles of moorland have been blackened by fire over the past week.

Colonel Noel Hodson, who is in charge of the Army firing ranges on Dartmoor, said: "There is no question of one 'nutter' being responsible for the lot. The horseman I saw was probably doing illegal swaling, burning off part of the moor to get better, fresher grass when it grows through.

Swaling is banned in the national park from April 1 to national park from April 1 to

October. Colonel Hodson, who watching a remote stretch of moorland near Princetown, has bi, the French lorry vealed that he had l rests on his journey stopped his men training with inflammable materials such as oner recorded a ver-idental death on Mr tracer bullets and flares be-

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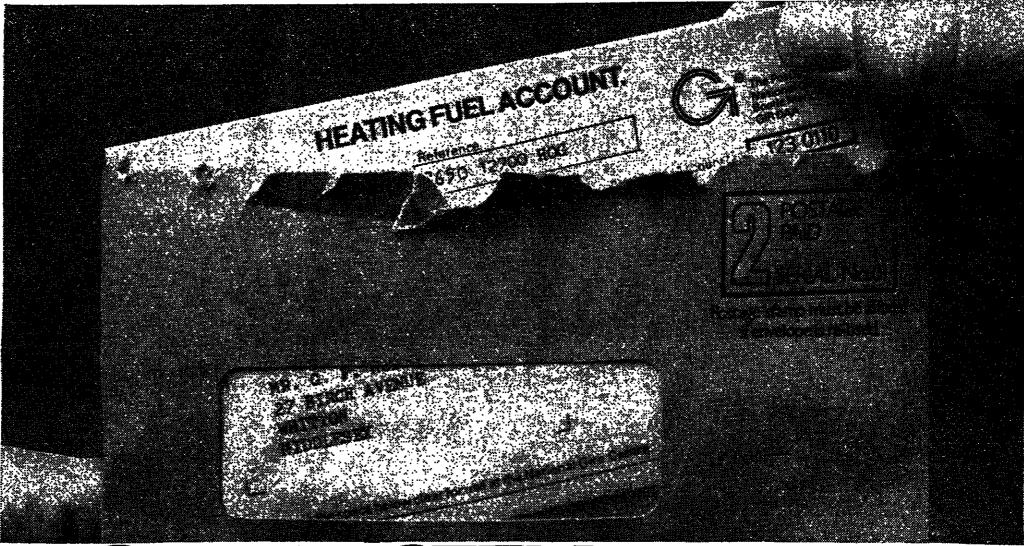
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ment's civil defence review
team whose report is due this
year, adds that a system of preattack food rationing is essential to "ensure fair distribution
of food and to lessen the likelihood of pre-attack panic-buying,
shortages and possible food
riors" riots".

Stocks of food should be aug-mented by bulk supplies of de-hydrated and freeze-dried foods stored in blast-proof shelters.

The budget of the United Kingdom Warning and Monitor-ing Service should be trebled to £13m, the memorandum says.



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WEST EUROPE_

Contrasts

as unions

protest

in Paris

Paris, April 24

plovers ".

Elysée

It was a day of two demon

strations in Paris. One which

was thousands strong, paraded

through the streets in near-

carnival mood. The other, no

more than a dozen in number.

stood herded by police round

the tcomer and out of sight of

the, main entrance to the

The big demonstration had been called by the communist-led CGT union "to put a swift

end to the anti-social aggression

of the authorities and the em-

had called strikes and demon-

strations to back its action, with

th eresult that there was dis-

ruption in most nationalized

industries as well as in larger

engineering and textile firms.

the first day of a six-day strike being organized among teachers

at every level in France, which

is claimed to be the biggest action of its kind in the country

for over 20 years.

The demonstration was more of a stroll than a march, with police discreetly out of sight With its music and cheering.

with its beer and sandwiches

provided by enterprising mili-

tants in vans, and with its

colourful caps and scarves, the

demonstration was almost a

festival. In every respect this

was in marked contrast to the

other trade union demonstra-

It had been called to cam-

paign for the release of Mr Vladimir Borissov from the Soviet psychiatric hospital where he is held. His crime

according to the organizers of

the demonstration is that he

has tried to form a free trade

union inside the Soviet Union.

The protest was aimed at Mr

Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet

Foreign Minister, who this morning called at the Elysée

to see President Giscards, d'Estaing. The demonstration spokesman was Mr Marek Halter, the writer.

While Mr Gromyko was talk-

ing to the President, he said.

Soviet troops were killing

Aighans, Jews were being held inside the Soviet Union against

their will. Dr Sakharov was in

exile, and men like Mr Borissov

were held prisoner in so-called

tion organized beside the

The protest coincided with

All round France the CGT

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By Jacob People become es enjoy re who retir continue

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Police secrecy surrounds charging of unnamed London man by Operation Countryman team

The secrecy surrounding Operation Countryman, the investigation into allegations of London police corruption, has claimed that senior Scotland Yard officers were not told for three days this week that a London man had been charged and had appeared in a London

No official explanation for the secrecy has been given, two members of the Countryman team, listened as Mr Chance, tional necessity" has been mentioned as the reason given to the Yard. A number of to the Yard. A number of involved inciting others to com-neople are said to have been mit robberies over several interviewe, this week while the months against charge went unreported.
On Tuesday The Times asked

an unnamed man arrested in raids by Countryman last week had been charged and appeared in court. The police denied the report, based on a well-placed source, and said their information was that the man was still essisting police with their inquiries. When Scotland Yard was told they were asked to

Cold killed

works' cats

From Our Correspondent

Most of the thousands of works cats which died when

the recent strike were victims

Strikers held collections to have fond for well-loved works cass, and middle management.

who worked during the strike.

volunteered to feed them, but

furnaces shut down during the

Dozens of animals were saved after the British Steel Corpora-

tion donated thermal wool and

volunteers used it to make insulated cat boxes.

Mrs Myra Hamond, organizer

"In some areas the works'

ent population has been wiped

out completely."

Although cold was the main killer, many died after eating poisonous substances with

which they would not normally

Some were lucky. "Apart from those saved in the

insulated boxes, some men took

home their favourite cat for the

duration of the strike", she said. "Many have decided to

A restaurant will be opened this year in the Great Hall of the fourteenth-century North-

borough Castle, near Peter-

on both private and local authority house-building

schemes are criticized in re-

According to preliminary findings by the government-

financed Building Research Establishment, faults on local

authority housing sites are

distributed evenly between design and construction. These

faults occur "despite-or per-haps, in part, because of-the

predigious quantity of informa-

mandatory requirements that already exist".

the high national expenditure on repairs of defects in local

authority housing. Cutstanding repairs will cost local councils

according to some industry

Faults identified in the past, often in both low and high-rise

council homes built in the

1960s, have included condensa-

tion, corrosion, flaking concrete

and insecure cladding. In some

cases local authorities have been compelled to demolish

The Building Research Estab-

lishment study, conducted in conjunction with the National

Building Agency, is concerned

with low-rise housing, Research

teams spent up to two weeks on

each of six sites, and paid occa-

sional day visits to a further

Revan. Although the study is not

able to cover every stage of construction, each site has so

By Our Planning Reporter

Construction.

A seven-point programme for.

encouraging wider home owner-

ship and in the process bringing

more unused land and empty

huildings into use, was outlined yesterday by Mr John Stanley,

The proposals encapsulate

previous Government policy

statements which will be given

Housing Bill is enacted this

Their reiteration at this stage

may be seen as an attempt to

counter some of the hostile

criticism that came after pub-

lication of the latest house-

building statistics. Mr Stanley

and his colleagues are arguing

that the proposals reflect the

legislative effect when

for Housing and

inmes less than 10 years old.

errimates.

The study was prompted by

the Government £250m.

recommendations and

ports published yesterday.

Over 100 faults found on

Standards of workmanship 150 potential faults.

n both private and Some are minor. But the in

each of 13 housing sites

keep them as house pets.

Kestaurant at castle

of Cats in Industry, the indus-trial section of the Cat Pro-

week stoppage.

a third died.

come into contact.

not of hunger but of cold.

the steel

Yesterday Montague Fitzmaurice, aged 45, of Corporation Street, cast London, appeared at Newham West Magistrates' Court on remand reached the pitch where it is charged with offences involving claimed that senior Scotland incitement to commit robbery. Mr Michael Chance, for the Director of Public Prosecutions. told the court that Mr Fitzmaurice had been remanded from Monday.

Mr Fitzmaurice, flanked by legal adviser to Countryman, told the magistrates the charges Securicor vehicles and other targets.

Mr Chance said the other Scotland Yard to confirm that people were serving substantial sentences or were awaiting trial. He said Mr Fitzmaurice was not legally represented and there was no application for bail.

Mr Fitzmaurice was remanded police custody until next

in a remand prison, such as Brixton. Where a man is held in police custody it usually signifies that he is a major informant or "super grass" but a Countryman source denied yesterday that they had any such informants.

Countryman is made up of officers drafted from provincial forces, and it is claimed that normal practice in the provinces is to hold someone in police custody while they still have questions to ask.

Although Metropolitan Police officers attached to the magistrates court and the local police station knew about the charges on Monday, that information was not passed on to Scotland Yard. One senior officer there found our what was happening through the DPP's office.

Eight people, including Mi Firzmaurice, were arrested last week by Countryman and taken to Guildford police station. None of them is or has been a Monday. The charges involve police officer. Seven were seven men between September, 1978, and February. 1979.

It is normal in London for one had been charged.

Growers' veiled threat to French apples

Agriculture Correspondent

apples from France.

through ports in this country. qualified cut in the number of their French counterparts have agreed to consider only restrictions on the type of apple sent

to Britain.

The point was obscured in a joint statement issued after the two sides had spent most of the day in talks in London. The Mr Dan Neutehoom, chair-

imports", he said. Union members wanted an

agreement by mid-lune, so that the next marketing season. Without such a pact with French growers, Mr Neuteboom continued, "we cannot guaran-tee the safe arrival of their consignments in the United

Lifting of hygiene control on milk imports opposed

banned until EEC hygiene regulations were harmonized, health Evidence given to the comficers said vesterday Environmental Health Associa-Commons Select Committee on weakening Agriculture: "It is right to against milk retain the present controls and restrictions. Ministers face pressure from like foot-and-mouth British grocers and consumer

for yielded between 100 and

terim report says that more

important faults include defec

tive connexions between walls

stopping, poor bedding of lin-

tels and inadequate ventilation of roof space. Many faults, it

says, can lead to problems of

wearhertightness and condensa-

he published towards the end

Meanwhile the National House Building Council said yesterday that it would disri-

bute posters encouraging build-

ing workers to improve their

workmanship. The campaign

has been prompted by the results of a survey of new

home owners by National

This disclosed that 40 per

cent of buyers felt the stand-ard of workmanship provided hy the builder was low. Some 45 per cent complained that

the finishing on new homes

was poor, and 59 per cent said

that the after-sales service pro-vided by builders was slow.

said they were pleased that they

had bought a new home, while

seven out of ten said that the next time they bought they

would again purchase a new

More Home News,

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Conservative emphasis on an

expanding private sector and ameliorate hardship caused by

the steep decline in council

points as: The sale of council houses to sitting tenants. The sale of land owned by local

authorities to private builders. Building low-cost " starter homes"

outding tow-cost starter nomes on such land in partnership with perfecte builders.

Improving homes for sale.

The sale of unimproved homes for improved homes

for improvement by purchasers. An increased emphasis on shared

Local authority guarantees to

Nevertheless, 93 per cent

of the year.

Opinion Polls.

The group's final report will

and roofs, emission of fire

groups and from French farmers to lift health restrictions which Milk imports should be prevent imported milk from

comed by British farmers and dairymen who oppose any against milk imports. They fear cut-price competition and the introduction of cattle diseases

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chess lead

In the other adjourned games from round 12, Stean beat Timman after 59 moves and Andersson, playing an journed game from round 10. rersus Larsen with a sure hand, winning in 73 moves and thereby bringing himself up to share the lead with Miles and Karchaoi.

The remaining scores are: Speelman 7. Gheorghiu and Ljubnjevic 6!, Sax and Tim-man 6, Larsen 5!, Browne and Stean 4!, Nunn 4, Short 2.

Korchnoi shares with two rivals By Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent

Yesterday was a rest day before the final round in the Phillips and Drew Kings tournament at County Hall,

However, the necessary clear ing-up of all the adjourned games before the last round. having been duly effected, it became clear that the destination of the first prize was within the range of four players: Andersson, Korcimoi and Miles, who have eight points, and Susonko, who has 7. A winning score has to be least 8), since Andersson is playing Korchnoi in the last round today.

Korchnoi missed a golden opportunity of gaining the sole lead in his adjourned game from round 12 against Gheorghiu. At one stage he had a quite obvious move that would have won off-hand. But, prob-ably through fatigue, he overlooked it and the game was drawn after 59 moves.

public expenditure ". Mr Stanley

said. "The scope is consider

able, particularly if authorities

aim to achieve the greatest possible realisation of housing

M François-Poncet sees no quick solution to Britain's EEC payments problems

From Charles Hargrove Paris, April 24

If Britain should insist at the European summit in Lux-embourg on Sunday that its contribution to the Community budget should more or less balance Community expenditure in Britain, it will receive no quick satisfaction, at least as far as France is concerned. That is the upshot of the French position as stated today by M Jean François-Poncet, the Foreign Minister, in an interiew with The Times in Paris. He was replying to a question whether British demands in-

principles or only the rules mplementing them.
The British amounted to the introduction in the Community of "an entirely new principle, that of 'just return', even if or avoids using this expression M François-Poncer said. "This principle would deeply modify the existing system, that of own resources, as well as the extent of the solidarity, which, as a result, unites member countries.

volved fundamental Community

public opinion. It can indeed regard as fair that a state-should draw from the Com-munity budget the same munity amount as it has contributed to it, and that it should 'get overcome them. It is ready to affairs, are its money back'. But the give her support and aid on the the EEC.

"This may surprise British

1970 on other principles. Community resources is not feared that little progress on taken into consideration. The Britain's demands diture has no cause to be drawn

"The controversy up: the very notion of

balance' is foreign to the system." However, should all the memhe r countries come out farour of the system suggested by Britain, France would agree to examine and discuss it, on condition it did not work for one country alone but was applicable to all, the minister went on. It was normal that the member countries of the Comshould help one

another No one contested that there was a problem for Britain arising from the end of the transirional period. The Nine in Strasbourg last June had agreed to examine an easing of the British contribution, but this relief must be "limited in time and compatible with Community resources. If that is the nature of Britain's demand. France is ready to consider it and seek a solution.

"The French Government knows Britain's difficulties. It appreciates the efforts and sacrifices she is making to

Common Market operates since basis of respect of the prin-"The geographical origin of is founded." M François-Poncet "The controversy is not between France and Britain, but

between Britain and all member countries, it has two aspects. The first is financial, France has no particular interests to defend. She is not a net bene-ficiary from the Community budget. The second affects tine principles of the Community. It concerns all member countries." Referring to French innist-ence on a "package deal" at ence on a "package deal" at Luxembourg. he said: "It stands to reason that when the Community is wondering whether to change one of its most important rules in favour

of a member country, it connot neglect or postpone the essential problems raised by its day-to-day existence." To the question why people in France were always asking whether Britain was really "European", he said. "The question of Britain's member-

ship of the Community does not arise for France. She hopes Britain can make her full contribution to it. Her democratic traditions, her many overseas links, her experience of world

affairs, are as many assets for

delegations. They took place at the Quar countries for the labo d'Orsay, which was sealed off peace and internation with crash barriers and guarded aperation.

gesting that there must have been a good deal of plain speaking.

Today the Soviet Foreign that there must have subject alone, but surveyed world problems generally.

The talks, including the lunch lasted three and a half hours longer than was originally scheduled. Mr Gromyko told reporters afterwards: "The Soviet Union is firm in its pursuit of detente and in the quest to overcome the difficulties which have arisen in international develop-ments, but as is well wnokn, everything does not depend on ul and constructive".

According to Eiysee Paiace in the same direction."

Mr Gromyko, left, and President Giscard d'Estaing during their meeting at the Elysée Palace yesterday.

frankly and clearly. On the central problem of Afghanistan,

there was no sign of any change in the Soviet stand. M Giscard

d'Estaing and Mr Gromyko did

not confine themselves to that

official franch comment on yes, the state developme terday's talks between the two Franco-Soviet relations a foreign ministers, and their positive significance of p

by gendarmes and plainclothes more involuntarily de police carefully checking the with faint praise dentity of all visitors. The distant praise of cussions continued over dinner stors took place at the rand were concerned exclusively. Ministry this evening with Afghanistan and the reperson operation and securit cussions of Soviet intervention. Europe disarmament, and the reperson of the repersons of the reperson cussions of Soviet intervention. Europe, disarmament, a
"Frank, serious, and in fateral questions, Mr. Gr
depth" were the adjectives will give a press configured to describe them on the tomorrow and a commitfrench side. Tass was only will be published afterwar

Mr Gromyko meets plain speaking at Elyséi The tone of this "working slightly more positive visit" (it was downgraded from talked about "frank an official one before Mt structive" conversations consultations between it It would be difficult

Budget dispute delay likely as ministers fail to settle farm prices

From Michael Hornsby

A delay in the settlement of Britain's budget dispute with the EEC, until the June summit meeting to Venice at the earliest, appeared almost certain after the failure of the agriculture ministers here early today to agree on the level of this

From Our Own Correspondent

Ritual references to cordiality

have been lacking from official

comment on Mr Andrei

Gromyko's talks in Peris, sug-

Today the Soviet Foreign

Minister met President Giscard d'Estaing, first in private, then

over a working luncheon, with both M Jean François-Ponces, the French Foreign Minister,

atnd ambassadors of the two countries present. As he left the Elysée Palace, Mr Gromyko described the meeting as "use-ful and constructive".

Paris, April 24

year's farm prices. The outlook for next week's summit in Luxembourg, at which the British are hoping for a breakthrough on the budget. looked so bleak that the possi-bility of a further postponement of the meeting was said to be possible, though unlikely.

In a statement issued yesterday, President Giscard d'Estaing of France said that settlement most other member states.

of the budger dispute and other

Britain insists that there m issues at the summit was out Paris. April 24.—Simone de undersanding on farm prices that required no more than the

> government. After labouring through the night. Mr Peter Walker, the and his community colleagues, the summit. The document little more than a week after attempted little more than a the summit. It seems possible,

political blessing of heads of

the document to go through in the small hours without making sufficiently clear its unsatisfactory nature from France's point of view. That was charit-ably attributed to fatigue. The document declares that

a farm price settlement must include "some increases in prices"; measures " to start the restoration of a better balance in certain markets, in particular for milk"; and the observance of budgetary constraints. But this simply conceals the

wide gap between Britain and Britain insists that there must be price freezes on milk, sugar and wine, which are in large surplus, and for other products an increase of no more on average than the 2.4 per cent proposed by the European Commission. Most other govern-

ments want rises of up to 6 per Agriculture Minister, cem at least.
s community colleagues. The Agriculture Ministers

any budget relier approved the Political Lumor Britain at the summit could be summer than the Summit could be summer than the summit that the summit the On the other matter to which

the French attach high importsheep farmers—the Agriculture Ministers again made no progress.
The dispute over fisheries

policy, which France and other member states are auxious to see resolved, appears to be less important than solving the budget problem. A statement of good intent would probably

The French pressure for products in surplus. Five higher farm prices puts Mrs Mrs Thatcher dodged Thatcher in an unenviable question. dilema. If she gives in it will lead to extra costs on the EEC budget, and since Britain, with a relatively small farm population, benefits little from argricultural expenditure, its . net contribution to the budget

would be further increased. The value of any reduction in the estimated net contribufinally approved an anodine did agree, however, to meet tion of £1,100m that might be document for transmission to again on May 6 in Luxembourg, agreed at the summit could be the summit. The document little more than a week after offset by a high farm price settlement.

"But it seems to me the

question arises for British pub

lic opinion. A recent poll

showed 59 per cent of English

men questioned regrettedB ri

tain's entry. It is by demon-strating her actual respect for

Community rules that Britain

will convince her partners of the depth and irreversible

character of her European com-mitment."

The British economy had characteristics which distinguished it from other member

countries. She bought more out-side the Community than they

did, and her agriculture made upo nly 2.3 per cent of her national wealth. She had, since

entry, begun to reorient her trade currents, but there was a

way to go yet.

I asked the minister about a

fundamental reform of the com-

mon agricultural policy that some modifications were needed, he replied, but there

was certainly no question of a fundamental reform.

"No one today denies that

the CAP is a cornerstone of the

construction of the Community

It is not only essential for

countries with a strong agri-

cultural potential and for the

farmers themselves: it is also

for the whole Community, to

Thatcher silence

demand for a reduction furion at this week sammit meeting of Comm leaders in Laxemburg pro-jeers of a "sell out" Labour MPs in the Com

vesterday. Five times Callaguan. Leader of Opposition, demanded tha Thatcher stick to her a that she would not age increase prices of agricu

So too, later, did Mr. Walker, the Minister of culture, in spite of the ex-tion, we do fear a sell-the summit, by Mr Mason, the Opposition s

man on agriculture. The Oposition probabl the better of the Cor knock-about But Mrs Th survived the onslaught r loose words, which will her to present any two decent settlement as a v

Whether she can get another matter. The Government is at ing to do a package di another name at Luxei Without being prepared. Thatcher said yesterd: "barter agriculture rises in return for B budget settlement she pared to settle other

This is very different her approach at Dub demanding "our money and Labour is determined make anything less the £1.100m seem a defeat Last minute, but imp preparations for Luxer include the rearranged London today of Signor cesco Cossiga, the Italian Minister, who is current sident of the European C

within the same scal

good Comuniti spirit.

Herr Strauss flies in for London talks

By Our Foreign Staff Herr Franz Josef opposition candidate for cellor in the West elections, arrived in yesterday at the contro private aircraft.

During his visit, which the invitation of the Co tige Parry he will me Minister, ar Downing and later give a pre-

whom it guarantees security of ference, food supplies . . . It is its He met Conservative yesterday.

food supplies . . It is its green power'." Moves to boost home ownership Monte Carlo odds favour undertakers after AD

schemes. A great deal of exper From Tim Jones tise had been built up by pioneering authorities, but the Monte Carlo, April 24 house huilding.

Mr Stanley listed the seven not well enough publicized, he said. He intended therefore to

Being driven by a French undertaker determined to reconstruct through rush-hour produce and distribute a model traffic the Monte Carlo rally scheme which would bring together ... examples of best is a fine catalyst for thinking of the hereafter. He was one of We are determined to give 300 thanatologists, better local authorities all pessible known as undertakers, gathered scope to get the maximum housing value from available in the principality to discuss

death in all its aspects.

The thanatologists were clearly worried that changing artitudes to death could undermine their profession, making them in the public eye merely transporters of corpses.

Mr Howard Raether, presi-dent of the American National Funeral Directors' Association. suggested yesterday that school courses, together with guided tours of funeral establishments, could change the attitude of post-death activities".

He claimed that better-educa-

ted high-income earners were likely to have less religiosity.

"And the less religiosity, the greater the chances are for a negative approach towards any post-death activities."

Mr Ruether said that statistics shortly to be released would show that cremations had it was cheaper than traditional spite of claims by some Americ eases the trauma of death us after the year 2100.

They like to feel that in 2100. choosing it they prove they have overcome tradition and sombre profession, the thanat- M Jacques Jourdon, taboo. It might become significant the world over that incant the world over that infor life during their tenth world gists, said that as a groof disposition of the hody pre- cluded a visit to the Nice their image It was no

is all there is."

Although many people wished Vincent Thomas said a recent study showed the vast majority trebled in the past 20 years, of French people did not want Some chose cremation because to be immortal. This was in

burial, while for others it was can doctors that death itself within a family. In would be conquered by the year would said. Mr Raether, In spite of, or because of their follows it is not bliss.

stead of cremation being a form congress. Afternoon trips inceded by a rite or ceremony, or as part of a ritual, cremation will be both the alpha and the omega following death. That is all there is."

Although many people wished to deny death Professor Louis to deny death Professor Louis Content of the Nice their image. It was not the Nice the Nice their image. It was not the Nice the Nice the Nice the Nice their image. It was not the Nice the Ni to deny death, Professor Louis public enemy Number One. waugh's image is resented by house. An inquity to the thanatologists, who emphasize that their expertise is that would give very to based on a compassion which, indeed ou death still beleases the traums of death indeed ou death still beleases

ance about death and tha were concerned to of attempting to be



London, placed particular em- financing."

cocal authority guarantees to aim to achieve the greatest lend on cheaper properties.

Mr Stanley, speaking at an capital receipts and to make

Institute of Housing seminar in the maximum use of private

growers failed vesterday to end their dispute about sales in steel plants shut down during

Britain of Golden Delicious Their talks foundered on the question of curbing imports and ended up with a veiled threat from English growers to prevent apples from passing

English growers want an un-French apples sold here, but

rection League, said yesterday: "Sadly the national toll must statement said merely that "French producers were not run into thousands. There were able to impose quantitive re-2.000 works' cats in the Sheffield area alone, over 500 at Shorton, 400 at Corby, and 300 strictions on French imports into the United Kingdom." at Scunthorpe. Of these, about

Farmers' Union of England and Agriculture Correspondent Wales, made it clear after the French and English apple talks that English growers were sceptical of cutting imports through curbs on the type of apple allowed in.

"We have expressed the view to our French colleagues that there will be no improvement if the measures that are going to be taken do not result in a substantial reduction in

M Charles Calleja, president of Afcofel, the French associa-tion of fruit and vegetable growers said: "We understand the anxiety and the seriousness of the positions of some English growers. The French grower Mr Dan Neutehoom, chair- can not accept a drop in re-man of the apple and pear turns for the second year committee of the National running".

psychiatric hospitals. Mr Halter said he hoped the President was putting these points to Mr Gromyko. The demonstrators never caught a glimpse of the Soviet minister. let alone managed to meet him. While he was whisked away from the Elysee they were bunched together by police under their solitary black ban-

cause of détente. Simone de Beauvoir admitted to hospital

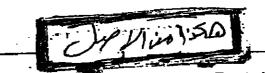
ner, hidden from view in case

they should embarrass the

Beauvoir has been admitted to hospital suffering from strain after the death last week of Jean-Paul Sartre, her long time companion, sources close to the

Lamily said today. Sartre was buried yesterday at Montparnasse cemetery in Paris. Mme de Beauvoir went to hospital a few hours later.
-Reuter.

summary of the existing differences. There was some embassment therefore, that the French my UT LaCL change tactics and try to make By Fred Emery any budget relief approved for Political Editor Brussels, April 24 French circles that Pierre Mehaignerie, the French Agri-culture Minister, had allowed



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icies are

Mr George Bush, the nice Agency as a liberal tre to Mr Ronald the front-runner in the an race for the presi-must have been sorely med last night.

an hour-long televised Houston, Texas, the Ming Republican canwith each other to their conservative It transpired that ed, on most points, exception of certain their economic poli-their suggestions for the Afghanistan crisis. politeness and lack of

toent was disappointing
who were expecting
to be more forceful
king Mr Reagan after
ry in Pennsylvania.
today's decision by Mr today's decision by Mu cy as an independent, if field is now down to

to disagreed about how tax cut each would

ush took Mr Reagan for advocating an blockade of Cuba as of forcing the Soviet o withdraw its troops thanistan. Such indirect would be wrong. Mr aid he had thrown out a as a hypotherical of what might be done

Republican will run as independent for US Presidency

From Our Own Correspondent challenges we confront in the Washington, April 24 80s.

Washington, April 24

Mr John Anderson, a Republican Congressman from Illinois, announced today that he has decided to run for the Presidency as an independent. He has been contesting the Republican nomination, but said that he could no longer hope to win it.

He said: "Too many people the National Press Club here in the National Press Club here in

to win it.

He said: "Too many people in our nation are disillusioned with the prospective choices our party structures are offering. The result is frustration, apathy and decnair. and despair.
"I believe that growing dis-

affection with the political process poses a far greater threat to the stability of our democratic institutions than what some are sure to charge is an oblique, perhaps frontal attack on the two-party system."
Mr Anderson denounced
President Carter in his speech
and Mr Ronald Reagan, the Republicon front runner, in answering questions afterwards. Of the President, he said: "Our nation is adrift in whot Churchill would have called a gathering storm. Since last lune the sime that America

June the signs that America is beset by a crisis of govern-ance, and one of truly alarming proportions, have multiplied.

The source of the crisis is plain to see. The current Administration has demonstrated

a total inability to chart a clear, common sense economic policy that is capable of arresting our economic decline

Of Mr Reagan, Mr Anderson said that he was dedicated "to legal reasons. He stands a better chance, as an independent, of is so limited in its vision, that it simply is not adequate to the

in the National Press Club here last June. He got a far bigger crowd today. Mr Anderson campaigned actively in six primaries and won none of them, but from the first battle, in the lower campaigned in January, he lowa caucuses in January, he demonstrated that he was indeed different from his rivals.
He did very well in the primaries in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Vermont, and although he lost his native Illinois by 10 points to Mr Reagan, he won far more votes

than anyone had expected early in the campaign. He is conservative in cconomic policies, though not so ex-treme as Mr Reagan, a liberal in social issues and a moderate in foreign affairs.

He has acquired a large crowd of young and enthusiastic volunteers, rather like Senator Eugene McCarthy did with his "children's crusade" in 1968. He will need all of them-first of all to raise

money. Mr Anderson chose to run as an independent rather than to found a third party (as Mr George Wallace did ni 1968) for

IOC keeps door open for individual athletes From Alaa McGregor

Lausame, April 24
The executive board of the International Olympic Committee has not finally closed the door on the possibility of individual athletes competing

in the Moscow Games.

The question will be reviewed when it next meets here on lune 9, once the number of participating countries at Moscow is clear. The deadline for formal acceptance of invitations is May 24.

Mr Lance Gross. New Zealand member of the nine-man board,

said before leaving for home today that while the "present position" of the sports federations was against individual participation "it would be unwise to say this is final in any circumstances"

any circumstances".
"Some national committees may say; We're not going to officially promote a team but if any of our competitors want to go we have no objection ."

While he did not think parwhile he did moscow would be more than 50 per cent "at the best", he believed the protocol change endorsed by the IOC would have some effect.

would have some effect.

"Some governments have told us they will not allow flags or anthems to be used but are perfectly happy to allow representatives of their athletic bodies to take part in the Games provided they do not parade the nation's acceptance of the fact they are there?" of the fact they are there", he said.

He indicated that the Greek Government's proposal for giving the Olympic Games an extra-territorial permanent site in Greece had been well received, and the plan would

be studied.

Germans fall out: East Germany dismissed the regrets expressed on Wednesday by Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, over his decision to recommend a boy-cot of the games, as "pure cot of the games, as "pure sham". It was flagrant inter-ference in the affairs of the Olympic movement, Neues Deutschland, the party news-Neues paper said.—Reuter.



Siamese twins Chang Chung-yi (centre) and Chang Chung-jen, of Taiwan, learn to walk with artificial legs in a Taiwan hospital. The operation to separate them was carried out last year.

S Africa school boycott spreads

schools and universities.

The eight days of unrest over the effects of racial segrega-tion on the school system fol-lowed the arrest of four activists, including Mr Curtis Nkondo, a prominent black, in police swoops in Johannesburg and Cape Town. Police said that they had also arrested a teacher and three students.

A spokesman denied reports that batons had been used to break up two silent protest meetings held by Indian high school pupils in Durban. The spokesman said tear gas had been thrown

South African riot police went into action again today as a countrywide boycott of classes by mainly Coloured (mixed-race) teenagers spread to more schools and universities.

But the Duron Daily News said it had received dozens of complaints from parents and other witnesses about the police action. They said police used batons and broken branches to disperse the pupils and disperse the pupils, aged between 13 and 18. Several received cuts and bruises, but

no one was seriously hurt, In other cities police kept in the background and no serious incidents were reported as the boycott, estimated to involve more than 100,000 students, continued.

The protest, which began in Coloured high schools in Cape Town, has been taken up by older students at some universities and training colleges. These include two Indian universities in Durban.

between six and 12, were reported to have joined the boycott in Cape Town. The arrest of Mr Nkondo, a

leading figure in the black township of Soweto, came after he attacked the government's policy of racial separation in education. He told a student meeting at

the mainly white University of Witwatersrand: "We want good education now. And if that means I am to be banned, let the banning order come."

Security police said Mr Nkoudo and the three other activists—one coloured, one Indian and one white—had been arrested under a law which provides for renewable detention without charge for up to 14 days. -Reuter. Several hundred Coloured to 14 days.

KGB 'used toxic gas to disperse Baptists'

By Our Foreign Staff The KGB used toxic gas to break up a religious gathering in the Ukraine, Pastor Georgi. Vins, the exiled Soviet Baptist leader, said in London yesterday. The incident occurred in. August last year at an illegal meeting attended by 150

It was among a number of examples of Soviet persecution of the church described by Pastor Vins to illustrate the Pastor Vins to illustrate the active disfavour in which the Baptist community of 400,000 is held by the Soviet authorities. He said a gas canister was thrown after a KGB order to disperse had been ignored. It caused vomiting and discomfort and, in once case, unconsciousness for several hours. sciousness for several hours.

The pastor, who is in London to publicize the plight of Christians in the Soviet Union, will meet Mrs Thatcher at Downing Street on Tuesday and seek her support. Since he was stripped of Soviet citizenship and deported in April, 1979, he has lived in the United States. He served two prison sentences amounting to nine years for his beliefs while he was a minister of the Evangelical Baptist Church in Kiev.

Pastor Vins said intimidation 3

against Baptists who refused to register as such with the authorities had significantly increased since the Olympic Games had become an issue in the West. Of the 11 members of the illegal Baptist Council, eight were in jail and the others were in hiding. There were now 60 pastors in prison, compared with 35 at the beginning of the very

ning of the year.

Baptists had been warned not to take advantage of the influx of foreign visitors to demon-strate their faith and many Baptists would be barred from the vicinity of the games. The Baptists applauded the boycott campaign by the British and United States Governments because the games would be used by the Russians to give an impression of a free society, Pastor Vins said.

ed fate of independents running for President e problems facing Mr Anderson

on, April 24 bave been five "third andidates running for dency this century, not socialists, prohibition-uni-abortionists. By far successful was Theo--sevest, who in 1912 won

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and of the vote against Taft's 23. resident only carried s, Utah and Vermont, drow Wilson won with rtable 42 per cent. ", in this context, is measured in terms cast. No third party has got anywhere near since the Republican

a its first victory in ers, this century, were · Follette, Progressive, who won 17 per cent e), the Radical, Henry (2.3 per cent), the allace, who won 14 per 368. Roosevelt was the whose intervention the outcome of the

ted scarcely a ripple statistics. Mr John now running as an ent Republican, will do better than that. Follette, whose candiprobably the closest law forbids him accepting large is an open question. It donations from individuals.

seriously thinks he can though there are plenty of ner-yous Democrats who think that he might throw the election to

Mr La Follette ran because be could not stomach the candidate his party chose on the 103rd ballot at the nominating



convention. Neither could be possibly support Calvin Coolidge, one of the dimmest of a long procession of dim Republican Presidents, who is how-ever, a hero of Rouald Reagan's. Mr Anderson is appalled at the choice likely to be offered electorate

dent Carter and Mr Reagan. He has heard voices, promising him that America wants something different and that he is the senator Eugene Mc. His first problem will be n on his own, with no rty backing, in 1976 ment pays for the candidates of the two main parties, and third party candidates, and will reimburse Mr Anderson for his electoral expenses according to the proportion of the vote he gets. Meanwhile, he has to raise the money himself, and the

His next problem, and the one to take the plunge now, rather than wait until after the party conventions, is that it is a lengthy, expensive and difficult process to get his name on the ballot in the various states.

He has already missed the filing deadlines of a number of states, including Ohio and Maryland and must file this week to catch New Jersey. He can be certain that rival supporters, particularly those of President Carter, will spare no legal effort to keep him off the ballot in as many states as possible, and he must therefore have competent lawvers in every state to

protect his interests.

The deeper question is the validity of his basic assumption, that the country must be offered a wider choice than that provided by the two established parties. The evidence of the states where he ran for the particular of the states where he ran for the states where he ran for the states where he ran for the particular of the states where he ran for the particular of the states where he ran for the states where the state cially his native Illinois, where he won 37 per cent of the Republican rote to Mr Reagan's 48 per cent, is that the country now regards him as an irrele-

When Theodore Roosevelt appeared at the Bull Moose convention in 1912, the delegates cheered him for 52 minutes. Mr Anderson arouses no such fervour, even among the most faithful and youthful of his supporters. His only hope is a national catastrophe, the sort of disaster that will break the habits of a century.

SOME GOOD FORA CHANGE

tars still seek return home

y 18, 1944, the Crimean Muslim Turkic people, orted from the Crimea ed collaboration with during the occupation homeland. Today, to a Minority Rights (RG) report published th, they are still fighte allowed to return to tea, despite an official of political rehabilita-

rimean Tatars, Volga and Mcskhetians desprogramme of dis-on by the Soviet three oples after 30 years ous campaigning. rimean Tatars, once a le force capable of ran-Moscow, are descended e. Mongol Tarars of the Horde. After centuries gle to retain independ-the Crimea finally Crimea finally unnomy under autonomy under formula of "self deter-

rears the Tatars refer eir "golden age" came ad with the purges of

"bourgeois nationalists" of the late twenties. In 1944, prompted by Stalio's fears about the loyalty of his non-Russian subjects, the authorities deported the Crimean Tatars, overnight, with considerable brutality; as many as half the population lost their lives in the deportation to the Urals and Central Asia and in the following bleak months.

Ten years of campaigning, which included petitions signed by over three million people, finally secured their rehabilitation in 1967. The joy that followed was shortlived: within a couple of years it became clear that rehabilitation was

minorities, all rehabilit- clear that rehabilitation was t nevertheless still dis- not going to mean either a national autonomy return to permission to go even nor e bome.

The report says that the Tatars attempting to settle in the Crimea have been harassed, denied jobs, prevented from buying houses. Those sertling illegally have had their homes knocked down by bulldozers. Leading campaigners today, says the report, continue to be tried on charges of "violation" or of passport regulations" resisting the police".

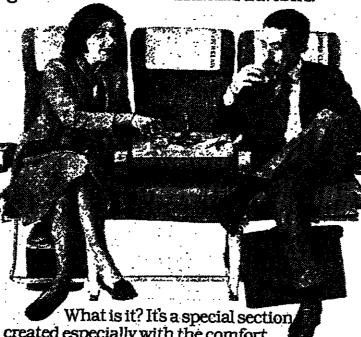
The Maskherians are a more fragmented group suffering the same form of discrimination, but many of them uncertain about whether they are Georgians or Turks.

The Soviet Germans, on the other hand, most of them descendants of settlers who came to Tsarist Russia well over a hundred years ago, are not con-tent with the partial nature of their rehabilitation in 1964, and are seeking to return to their Volga German homeland. Their history is similar to that of the Tatars: deported to Siberia and Northern Kazakhstan from a flourishing homeland as suspected German sympathizers during the Second World War, they were rehabilitated in 1964.

Since then, according to the samizat material available to the MRG report authors. Ann Sheehy and Bohdan Nahaylo, the Samar Comments of the Samar Comments. the Soviet Germans have been blocked in all attempts to re-turn home, and as a result their demands for the reestablish-ment of an autonomous republic are yielding to demands for the right to emigrate to Germany. The Crimean Taturs, Volga Ger-mans, and Meskhetims (MRG Report No 6. 36 Craven Street WC2 75p).

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S Korea miners accept deal and end strike

Seoul, April 24.-Miners who rioted over wage demands, seizing the coal town of Sabuk, seizing me coat town or Saute, killing a policeman and injuring 70 others, accepted a compromise agreement today to end South Korea's most violent industrial discussion.

industrial dispute.

After accepting the agreement, the miners started clearing road blocks and barricades round Sabuk, where 50,000 residents were virtually held hos-tage during the siege that began with a riot on Sunday.

During Sunday's rioting, about 3,500 miners and their families attacked the town.
Under the agreement, the
miners will receive a 20 per cent pay increase backdated to January 1 as decided earlier but will have their annual bonus increased from the present 250 per cent to 400 per cent. They also received assurance of another pay increase if coaprices are increased.—UPI.

22 more die as violence grows in El Salvador

San Salvador, April 24.— Another 22 persons, including two policemen, have died in El Salvador, the authorities said. The 22 deaths—and the 24 deaths reported in the previous day—marked a significant worsening in the level of political violence. The bodies of four men aged from 17 to 24 were found outside San Miguel, a short distance from where a Treasury police patrol was ambushed last night.

night.
The bodies of eight men, shot through the head with their arms ried behind their backs

and showing signs of torture, were found round four small towns in northern El Salvador. The roling junta has announced that it will establish diplomatic relations with communist nations in Europe, but not with Cubs which is said to he supplying men and weapons to leftist guerrillas.—UPL



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OVERSEAS ____

Both Houses of Parliament express grave concern at diplomatic rift with Riyadh after showing of film

Ministers rebuke TV authorities after expulsion of ambassador

From Hugh Noves Parliamentary Correspondent

Senior ministers in both the House of Lords and the Commons yesterday called on the broadcasting authorities in the United Kingdom rapidly to out their house in order to avoid future incidents of the kind that has led to the expulsion of Mr James Craig, the British Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. He was ordered to leave the country on Wednesday in re-taliation for the film Death of

a Princess, which was shown by ATV on April 9. Aithough calls for various forms of censorship were firmly resisted by both Lord Carring-ton, the Foreign Secretary, and by Sir Ian Gilmour, the Lord Privy Seal, the sharp rebukes

Octoradeh, the Iranian Foreign

Iran would retaliate against a United States blockade of its

cil ports by stopping its neigh-

else keep tranian oil from leav-

ing the Gulf, no other nation would be able to ship any oil through the Gulf , Mr

through the Gulf". Mr Ootbzeden told a press con-

The United States has con-

sidered blockading the water-way to prevent tankers carry-ing Iranian oil from getting

More than half of the West's

oil imports pass through the Guif, mainly from Iraq. Saudi Arabia, the Gulf states and

Asked if Iran would stop

freq exporting through the Gulf. Mr Qotbzadeh said "Yes"

although he refused to dis-

threat of Iranian retaliation in

tic event of disruption of

sanctions with moves to increase

Iran has reacted to American

which have involved clashes be- return

In a possible sign that the

Kurds were heavily on the defensive the Society of Kurds

Resident in Tehran issued a

Rights Commission to inter-

Shaikh Ezzedin Hosseini, the

Kurdish religious leader, also

called for help against the

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all Gulf oil traffic

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in statements to both Houses, the two ministers left no doubt the Government's grave concern over the break in relations and there were assurances that everything possible would be done to heal the rift quickly so that the minimum disruption would take place.

Lord Carrington appealed to the 30,000 British people working in Saudi Arabia not to be deterred by these events, and Sir Ian told the Commons that there was no reason to believe that British subjects would be less welcome in that country than they were before the latest

development.

Lord Carrington said that the United Nations and Saudi Arabia shared a common con-cern that the vital Gulf area delivered to the television com- should develop in stability and panies were of a strength that peace without the interference

tween radical Islamic students

90 per cent of leftist action all over the world, including Iran ",

Mr Qotbradeh said. Ambassador returning: Sir John

Graham, the British Ambassador

to Iran, is due to return to his post in Tehran in the next day

or two, after the decision by the

European Council of Ministers

that ambassadors would report to the Iranian President on the

outcome of their meeting (Our

Sir John must be getting quite used to the journey. He came to London for consultations

and leftists.

Diplomatic

writes).

"The CIA is

the two countries should be drawing closer together instead of drifting apart.

Sir Ian told MPs that the Government would regret it deeply if this country's close were damaged by an event for which neither Government was responsible. He emphasized that this was an incident outside the British Government's control.

However, while emphasizing the importance of a media free from government control, there was no reluctance on the part of both ministers and backbenchers to declare their displeasure and disgust at what has happened.

Lord Carrington said that in the light of what had happened, those who produced these programmes would do well to have

from outside powers. External a good look at the consequenthreats to the area meant that ces of what they were doing. ces of what they were doing. In the Commons, Sir Iansaid that while the Governmentwas careful not to interfere with the fredom of communicafreedom must be balanced by relations with Saudi Arabia a degree of responsibility by those people who made films

which were shown abroad. From the Conservative back benches Mr Eldon Griffiths, MP for Bury St Edmunds, gave a warning that one of the conditions of press freedom was that there must also be responsibility by the media. Another Conservative backbencher, Mr Nicholas Winterton, MP for Macclesfield, said that the producer of the film. Mr Antony Thomas, had a history of pro-ducing inaccurate and biased

He urged Sir Ian to make

Broadcasting Authority to to the Sandi Government that ensure "that these left the press and television in this wingers" did not have the country were not subject to power to undermine the best interests of the United King-

benches, Mr Andrew Faulds, MP for Warley East, spoke of the irresponsibility and selfinterest of some the bright boys in the media, both in TV and in the public prints. They made political attacks under the guise of entertainment damaging British and Western inter-

However, together with the anger at the television authorities, there was a word of caution from Mr Peter Shore, Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, While endorsing wish for close relations with Saudi Arabia, he urged ministerial dictation.

While we should respect the culture and traditions of their country, Mr Shore said, we should expect an equal respect for our own traditions of which freedom of the press and information was a vital part. Sir lan replied that even-before the film was shown it had been made clear to the Saudi Government that the Government did not British control the media and had no

wish to do so. Later it was confirmed that Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, and members of the select committee on foreign affairs, who were due to visit Saudi Arabia next week would not now be going

Saudi move over envoymade under pressure

Saudi Arabia's decision to ask Britain to recall apparently taken after consultation with other Islamic governments and is the expression of widespread anger in the Arab world, according to Arab. sources in London.

Further sanctions are likely against any other country which shows the film up to and including a demand for the recall of ambassadors. Probably further measures will be the Islamic foreign ministers to be held about the middle of Other countries where television stations are planning to show the film at present are the United States and Norway.

Though the decision to demand the recall of Mr James Craig, the British Ambassador was within the purview of the Saudi royal family who felt directly insulted by the ATV film Death of a Princess, there was considerable pressure both within Saudi Arabia and out-side it for action against Britain. As guardians of the holiest places in Islam the Saudi royal family have been at pains of late to present a more Islamic face to the world both at home and abroad.

Fundamentalist Islamic critics of the film are, however, un-enimous not only in their assessment of the production as anti-Islamic but also in their surprise that the Saudis are d-awing attention to an incident which is still controversial with in the Islamic world.

The execution of the princess was in violation of Islamic law "When I read of trade sanctions and the possibility of mining the Persian Guit. I think of what the circumstance of the Arab a proper trial nor why King Khalid, as leader of the Saudi royal clan, did not prevail upon Prince Mukammad, the princess's father, to punish her indiscretion in some other way. The Saudi complaint that the princess wanted to marry a commoner is not a violation of

Koranic law. US considers: A State Department spokesman said that Washington had been in con-ment with the Saudis and was in Iran as the situation became "Then, the F111 bombers on listening to their concern about our airfields, which are not subthe planned showing of the ject to British veto, soon to be film in America early next replaced by missiles not subject i month (our Washington Corresto British veto, could suddenly pondent writes). The State be sucked into world conflict Department was looking into

the matter, he added.

for the has been withdrawing millions 53,500m of dollars of matured deposits

plant at Bandar Khomeini. "The level of Iranian The Mitsui Corporation, deposits has deckined from which has a 50 per cent share 5700m to \$300m since the in the plant had been planning beginning of the year" a to send 300 engineers back to the site to resume construction fapan said.

Mr Tamio Amau, official spokesman for the Japanese

Mr Amau said the partialembargo against Iran would be reviewed if the American hostages in Tehran were not released by May 17-the deadline

King Husain calls on EEC to hasten its plan for Palestinians

From Christopher Walker Amman, April 24

Amman April 24.

On the eye of the perfy part, intensified negotiations on The King today repeat Palestinian autonomy, king central and machanged.

Husain of Jordan roday made they that the Palestinian Husain of Jordan rodey made; then made the large as strong plea for the REC to remains the key to any launch its new peace initiative. Middle East settlement in an effort to save the region for as that aspect way from what he described graphy creatific Camp David to as "a state of confusion, tur moil and growing anger".

In an interview with The

Times, the King claimed that his "worst fears and suspicions" about the deadlocked Camp David peace process had come true. He called on the European states including Britain, formally to unveil their much canvassed plans for an amendment to the United Nations resolution 242 which would recognize the rights of

the Palestinians.
Speaking in his spacious hill-side palace overlooking Amman. King Husain said that Jordan's relations with America had sunk to their lowest ebb in the 27 years he has ruled. He emphasized that Europe had a more valuable role to play in the search for a peaceful serile-ment in the Middle East than either America or the Soviet

"With all due respect to the two major powers, many of us are beginning to feel and speak more about the fact that there are also others who can comin bute towards a solution and have a right to do so he said.

"Maybe part of the errors of the recent past", which he blamed for the crisis, had been the lack of participation of certain countries in reaching

The King tirged both America in the receion in a positive region received ment to the Minddle Last problem received receive

American policy.
The EEC leaders are indicated that they will was at least until the May 26 deadline. for agreement in the Egyptian Israeli autonomy talks before formally unveiling their Middle East plans But today King Husain in-

sisted that more urgent action. was needed as it had become obvious that the Camp David process had "run out of

Both the King and Mr. Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharif, his new Prime Minister have made itclear -in- interviews that any

Jewish militants I V censures on rampage in Arab cities

From Moshe Brillian Tel Aziv, April 24 Heoligans believed to have been Gush Emmin militarity from southern Lebanon in went on the campage through sacts of hostility against Unite Arab cities of Ramailah and Ramons in the area sever El Birch early today hurfing terious were killed in the stones through the window, of actions of the hostility hurban and carries from the window, of actions of the hurban window, of actions of the hurban and desired the control of the

stones through the window; of scores of cars, homes and shops.

The raid was apparently a in the vote after Mr Ik reprisal for repeated Arab Mellenry the chief Ame attacks on Israeli welficles passing through the dwin cities and deal with the problem of Jerusalem.

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Arab Sources said four structured United Rations I straeli cars had been involved in peatedly harrasted and Israeli cars had been involved in the action.

Israeli cars had been involved: in the action.
Several West Bank mayors

met in Ramallah today in defiance of a ban ordered by the military governor.

Carter Administration to force lordan into play

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New York, April 26-Security Council today cens depart for its military incom

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From Peter Hazelhurst Tokyo, April 24

Japan, the key to the success American sanctions against Tehran, imposed a partial economic boycott on Iran boycott on Iran today, instructing large trading concerns and business leaders to refrain from entering into new export contracts with Iranian officials or companies.
At the same time the Japanese Government today announced that "several" Japanese diplomats will be recalled from Tehran and all Iranians will now have to obtain visas for entry into Japan. Officials claimed here today that the economic boycott will

Iran's largest trading partner. Japan's initiative, designed to

the United States secure

the freedom of the hostages in exports of food, chinaware, Tehran, was announced this general merchandise and capital

Chira, the Prime Minister, met key members of the Covinet to

discuss the Iranian crisis to a record level of \$239m last

lapan was also the world's largest consumer of Iranian oil until the authorities in Tehran suspended supplies on Monday because Japanese companies refused to pay the higher price of \$35 a barrel.

emerge as a greater blow to cials said the sanctions would the revolutionary government not cover small companies be-Tehran because Japan is cause Japan's six largest trading companies account for nearly 80 per cent of exports to Iran.

warned the Japanese Govern-ment that the future of the venture would be "placed in jeopardy" if Japan applied

said his government opposed any form of American military action against Iran.

Markazi, Iran's central bank,

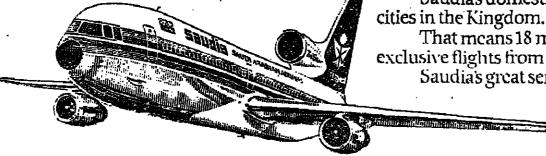
completed Japanese-Iranian petrochemical plant at Bandar Khomeini. from Japan.

Bankers in Tokyo told The set by the EEC before it im-Times today that the Bank posed the second phase of

[apan said.

Foreign Ministry, announced today that staff in the Japanese Embassy in Tehran would be reduced from the 16 it now has, but officials refused to reveal how many diplomats will be

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earlier in the month, then went back to Tebran for a week and returned to London again this Although the number of staff at the embassy is being sharply reduced, the Ambassador may remain at his post. The com-munique issued after the council meeting seemed to leave close how. His remarks the decision open on the level the decision open on the level tained. It stated that Ambassadors were being instructed to re-

turn to Tehran before May 17,

of sanctions, to "follow the

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traric links with the Soviet block. The Government yestersituation " and to try to improve the living conditions of the en announced an oil contract American hostages. with Romania and said others Meanwhile. the Foreign Office is anxiously pondering the implications of the Saudi rith eastern Europe were in the The Foreign Minister blamed decision to send Britain's Ambassador home. No date has the United States for recent violence at Iran's universities been set for Mr James Craig's

view of renewed tensions with

neighbouring Iraq. But the Kurds say the Government's

real intention was to restore central authority in Kurdish

After heavy fighting last summer the Government virtually gave up control of the

area to Kurdish groups seek-

ing autonomy. But recently President Abolhassan Bani-

Sadr issued a warning that the Government would not be dictated to by such armed

groups and would work to

E German trade agreement may bypass sanctions

East Germany was signed in

Berlin. The agreement, which has few weeks, is believed to provide a framework for expanding trade between East Germany and Iran especially if the West should impose its sanc-

It would pave the way for Iran to buy at least some of the goods made inaccessible by

The East German economy has been seriously hit by the world energy crisis.

"The Americans put the Shah back on the throne and the West armed the Shah—no

being sucked into war Britain is in danger of being doubt there were intelligence arrangements between the CIA. Sadat and marbe other intelli-

Mr Benn sees Britain

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, April 24
Less than 24 hours after the
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Mrs Louisa Kennedy, wife of one of the Tehran embassy hostages, met

the Prime Minister at No 10 Downing Street vesterday.

ing in Iran is not that being relayed to the British people by the press and on the radio, he said. In its campaign for rearmament, the British Government was guilty of the "most breathtaling hypocrisy and

South East, has personal knowledge of Iran after being Energy Secretary. the sanctions, such as Energy Secretary. He said he machinery, and at the same did not wish to defend the detime possibly enable East Geritention of the American host

Mr Benn. MP for Bristol many to buy some of the oil it ages, but the people must be badly needs, Western observers warned what was really

warned what was really happening.

morning after Mr Masayoshi

Japan was Iran's largest supplier of machinery, cars, steel, clothing and synthetic textiles. Japanese exports to Iran, worth \$925m (£420m) last year, rose

month.

Japanese Government offi-

The measures also exclude

of what the situation could be

within a matter of hours. The

Iranians are very well equipped

with weapons. We sold them to

out the Saudi Arabian pipe-lines and the United States

were to be deprived of oil,

American intervention in Saudi

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"Then, the F111 bombers on

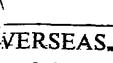
catastrophically dangerous.

would inevitably lead to

"If the Iranians were to take

the site to resume construction Yesterday, Mr Reza Salmi, Iran's acting Finance Minister.

sanctions against Iran.
Addressing the Cabinet today
Mr Ohira said Japan was willing
to make sacrifices for its
"friend and major ally" but he



VERSEAS_ Unisian abinet inounced

iis, April 24.—President Bourguiba reshuffled his et today after yesterday's nument of Mr Muhammad as Prime Minister, but the main portfolios un-

new ministers include fongi Kooli, a disgraced r minister in 1978, but ejoins the Government as er attached to the Prime er atlached to the rrime er's Office. He also be-director of the ruling estour Socialist Party, re-g Mr Muhammad Sayah, rakes over the Supplies ousing Ministry.

Slaheddin Baly, the Minister, moves to al Defence, replacing Mr | Sfar. Mr Mzali replaced ing Mr Hedi Nouira both me Minister and party uy-general. Mr Nouira stroke on February 26. fected by today's re-were Mr Hassen Belk-

the Foreign Minister, Mr Guiga, the Interior or, and Mr Habib Bour-junior, the presidential

Azali, who is 55, has been ge of day-to-day govern-n Tunisia since March 1. announcement of his on to the Premiership, not unexpected, tended firm reports that Mr needs several more paralysed by the stroke, ich he had treatment in

entering politics in Ar Mzali has served as r of Education, Defence, and Sports and Health. iber of the party since has been on the central tee since 1964 and the o since 1969.—Agence

Released opposition leader in outspoken attack on General Zia

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad, April 24
Mr Asghar Khan, president
of the Opposition party Tehriki-Istiqlal, who was released last
Friday from nearly six months'
house arrest raid bare saids. thouse arrest, said here today that he was defying a government ban on political activity to launch a struggle for restoration of civilian representative rule in Pakistan under the Constitution of 1973 stitution of 1973.

In a stinging attack on General Ziu ul-Haq, who has ruled the country since July 1977 after the overthrow of Mr Bhutto's Government, the former head of the air force said he was firmly of the view that no military government either now or in the future could serve the interests of the could serve the interests of the people and the country. The military justa must relinquish power, he demanded, claiming that it brought nothing but

Mr Asghar Khan also strongly opposed Pakistan's policy towards Afghanistan and said that Islamabad should resume direct dialogue with the Kabul regime to stop the influx of Afghan refugees and to return those who had come.

He said the refugees were creating grave problems for Pakistan and alleged that the Government had encouraged refugees to use Pakistan as their base for operations against the Kabul regime. What was happening in Afghanistan, he asserted, was its own affair and Pakistan should not get in-

He said he was not justifying the presence of Soviet troops in Afghanistan, but he believed the Pakistan Government policy was responsible for the develop-ments that had taken place in Kabul. He said the Soviet troops could not be pushed out Afghanistan

measures taken by Pakistan,

He claimed that the Islamic foreign ministers in their January meeting were misled by Pakistan into adopting a Mahani strong resolution on Afghanistan which Inter alia asked member states to break diplomatic relations with Kabul and sever contacts until the Soviet troops withdrew.

He also disagreed with an assertion that Soviet interven-tion in Alghanistan was phase one of Moscow's thrust to capture the oil-rich Gulf. The Soviet Union had a long-range object of world communism, he conceded, but said the other superpower was attempting to foist a capitalist system

Mr Asghar Khan criticized the United States Government for its attitude over developments in Afghanistan and said he seriously doubted Washing-ton was concerned about Paki-stan's security. According to him, Pakistan was expendable to America. He said the American aid offer of \$400m (about \$182m) was ridiculous

Although he threatened to launch his political struggle against the military regime even singly if necessary, it is considered here extremely doubtful if he would be permitted by the martial law regime

to further the campaign.

He used the strongest language against the military Covernmentanden ndemned it for seizing power. It is, however, well known that shortly after the March 1977 general election, which he repudiated, he circulated a secret letter urging the Armed Forces to overthrow Mr Bhutto and described him as an unlawful Prime Ministerw ho came to power through rigged elections. Today he asked who had invited General Zia to take

Five accused of Gandhi conspiracy granted bail

Delhi, April 24. — Ram Lalwani, who is accused of try-ing to assassinate Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, on April 14, was remanded in custody today for another four days. The order, made on a prosecution plea, was to help further police investigation.

others accused of being in-volved in the alleged attempt. The court issued its order, setting buil at about (280 each, on a special leave petition filed by the five co-accused, challenging an order of the Gujarat Hight Court which dismissed a bail application on April 19.

Among the co-accused are Mr Among the co-accused are Mr Pratrap Ramchandani, the deputy mayor of the west coast city of Baroda, and Mr Kishen Lalwani, the elder brother of Mr Ram Lalwani, who is suf-Mr Ram Lalwani, who is suf-

fering from jaundice and other diseases, was admitted to hospital here soon after being brought from Baroda. A magistrate made the remand order at the hospital as the accused was declared unfit to attend

Earlier security forces cor-doned off the All India radio station in Gauhati as officials from Delhi took control of the

news rooms. The Assamese-speaking staff were accused of broadcasting biased news and commentary in favour of the agitators calling for the depornation of Bangladesh and Nepalese settlers in Assam.— Agence France-Presse.

prus protest over Gilmour view on occupation

ur Correspondent

April 24 icos Rolandis, the Cyp-eign Minister, yesterday d a strong protest to Mr hodes, the British High Nations resolutions" sioner in Nicosia, over a at in Cyprus earlier this y Sir Jan Gilmour, the ivy Seal. The statement ught an angry response 2 Greek Cypriot press. eroment announcement at Mr Rolandis "exthe bitterness and disnent of the Cyprus nent over the state-

people of Cyprus who for nearly six years now have been experiencing the consequences of foreign invasion and occupation, in violation of the United

Sir Ian made the statement during a press conference last Tuesday, at the end of a fourday visit to the island. When Greek Cypriot journalists asked him why Britain denounced the Soviet intervention in Afghanis-tan, while it remained silent about the Turkish occupation of northern Cyprus since 1974. Sir Ian said that the two could

not be compared.

Ilandis asked Britain to
the statement, which
irt the feelings of the
said: "I know the Turkish army

arrived in Syprus, but invasion ment felt no obligation to pay means different things to Cyprus compensation for the different people and I honestly use of the two British sovereign don't think that the intercommunal relations are helped by Cyprus £12.5m up to 1965 for

condone the Turkish action ". All seven Greek Cypriot newspapers attacked Sir Ian in angry leading articles yesterday saying his statements were cynical, The Government statement

also took issue with a straement by Sir Ian at the press con-ference that the British Govern-

use of words. In the eyes of Greek Cypriots he made things worse by stating that the British Government does not condone or no the bases under the terms of ing Cyprus claims for a pay-ment of £250m.

Mr Rolandis told Mr Rhodes

that Sir Ian's statement "can-not be accepted in view of the provisions of the Treaty of Establishment". Cyprus was pressing its claim for a substan-

Earlier the Indian Supreme Court released on bail the five

Assam arrests: Several hundred people were arrested today for defying a ban on gatherings of more than five people in the troubled state of Assam. Officials said that most of those arrested were women.

FOREIGN REPORT



The abdicating and future queens with Prince Bernhard in Amsterdam last January.

Parliament to swear in Princess Beatrix as Queen of The Netherlands

Next Wednesday the usually however, the Dutch seem rather sober and businesslike happy to leave things as they will be treated to an unusual amount of pomp and ceremony and reminded with some insistence that they live in a monarchy. In the morning Queen Juliana will formally sign her Act of Abdication and in the afternoon the investi-ture of Queen Beatrix will.

take place during a special joint session of the first and second chambers of the States-General (Parliament). There is no coronation, and constitutionally the most im-portant moment will be when Queen Juliana signs her Act of

Abdication; at that moment her eldest daughter Crown Princess Beatrix will automatically become the new queen.
At her investiture, Queen
Beatrix will swear to uphold
the constitution; but the most time-consuming part of the ceremony, the Oath of Investiture taken one by one by the members of the States-General. is not a constitutional requirement. In fact, a small number of republican-minded MPs will not be taking the oath. They have refused to attend the investiture ceremony on prin-

The announcement by Queen Juliana on January 31 that she The announcement by Queen Juliana on January 31 that she would be stepping down in favour of her daughter Beatrix provoked some discussion about whether the monarchy should be abolished. On the whole,

The most interesting question that arose was whether the monarch has any real power. In The Netherlands the answer is: power, no; influence, yes.

Relations monarch and the Cabinet are defined in the constitution as follows: "The King can do no wrong; the ministers are responsible." This means that the monarch is excluded from power as the Cabinet is responsible for all the monarch's

But the realm in which the monarch's influence is most important is in the political vacuum created between gov-croments. The new Cabiner, once in place, assumes formal responsibility for the forma-tion period; but that is after

In more than 30 years on the throne it is hardly surprising that Queen Juliana accu-mulated a wealth of experi-ence, permitting her to deal with such delicate matters with great insight and competence for which she has justly been praised even by the com-munists. It seems likely that

There are other areas in which the monarch has in-fluence. Bills proposed by the Cabinet are usually seen by the monarch before they are sent to Parliament and ministers have been known to be sent back to do their home-work by the Queen even before Parliament gets a chance to

penalty. It was the minister

responsible who in the end had

tell them to do so. Despite the constitutional stipulation that "the ministers are responsible". Queen Juliana is known to have told ministers that because she has to sign Bilis before they become law she feels at least morally responsible for their contents. She once refused to sign the death sentence on a German war criminal prefer-ring to step down rather than compromise her deeply held convictions against the death

to back down. The Lockheed affair demon strated that if the ministerial responsibility for the monarch is more or less clearly defined, it is more fluid for other members of the royal family. In theory this responsibility applies to all the members of the royal family except Prin-cess Irene and Princess Christina and their families because these two daughters of Queen Juliana did not seek parliamentary approval for their marriages and were automati-

cally excluded with their children from the succession. A constitutional amendment adopted in 1972 stipulates that the membership of the royal house for which there is to be ministerial responsibility (as opposed to the monarch's family as a whole) must be defined by law. The delicacy of the issue is illustrated by the fact that it has taken eight

years for a Bill on the matter to be tabled in Parliament. This is perhaps because the Socialists, who led the previous. government, want to limit membership of the royal house to six members : the reigning monarch, the monarch who has abdicated, the heir apparent, and their consorts:

Queen Juliana is known to be fiercely opposed to a limited membership of the royal house. In the Bill before Parliament, the present Government seems to have respected the Queen's wishes as it proposes membership of the royal house for the entire families of both the Crown Princess and Princess Margriet. But a majority of the Lower. House has already expressed the view that ministerial responsibility must be reduced to a smaller number of royal persons. The new Queen's views on the subject are not

Robert Schuil

How Libya is governed

Four old soldiers in control

The Socialist People's Libyan
Arabic Jamahiriya has just celebrated the third anniversary of the most remarkable stage of its novel revolutionary

The secretaries in the various desert-handsome figure with estates mingling with the runthe piercing eyes of a visionary down Italian architecture of the and worm features that belie his colonial period—that the regime is doing its best to spend the stage of its novel revolutionary

The secretaries in the various desert-handsome figure with estates mingling with the rundown Italian architecture of the and worm features that belie his colonial period—that the regime is doing its doing stage of its novel revolutionary process in which all convenrional forms of authority were abandoned and "direct people's

power" was declared. In theory, at least, Colonel Gaddafi handed control of the country to a 1,000-strong General People's Congress. A gov-ernment official told *The Times* proudly: "In our country today executive authority has been divided to the point where it doesn't exist. It is in the hands of everyone."

Well, not quite, perhaps. But certainly the lack of a conventional government structure has had various consequences. For one thing it has played havoc with normal diplomatic proce-dures. There being no head of state, there is no one to whom the diplomatic corps can be accredited. Colonel Gaddafi no longer receives new ambassadors routinely since he has no

At the other end of the line, Libya is now represented in the West by "people's bureaux" (although not yet, curiously enough, in Communist block or non-aligned countries). What has not been resolved is the precise status of the "people's

If the Libyans insist they are not embassies, are they covered by the Vienna convention which provides diplomatic immunity? Another consequence, of course, is that if there is no conventional government there can be no official opposition.

bers of the General People's By all accounts. Congress. budget allocations invoke intense debate. And members of the congress demand to know why, if secretariats fail to pro-vide promised public amenities.

It is difficult to gauge the extent of serious opposition to the regime, but revolutionary rule has undoubtedly disenchanted many of the educated middle-class who have left the country rather than suffer the austerity of the regime. The watchdogs of the revolu-

tion are the revolutionary committees, supposedly spon-taneously created groups which, in the words of the official texts, can "incite the masses to exercise their authority, agitate the popular congresses, lead the popular committees and generally propagate the revolu-

Quite clearly such bodies are also used to convey the revolutionary gospel according to the moving spirit behind it and to keep revolutionary enthusiasm

Huge crowds can be assem-bled for street demonstrations at the drop of a hat or at any rate a signal from above, and this is a frequent occurrence. In recent months both the United States and French embassies have been set ablaze by politically inspired mobs. Normal business and social activity is repeatedly brought to a halt by revolutionary mass meetings or demonstrations.

leadership presence appears to be firmly in control of the regime.

At his side are four remain-

ing members of the 12-strong Revolutionary Council drawn from the free officers movement which overthrew King Idris ten years ago: Abdul Salam Jalloud who has no official title but is thought to retain overall responsibility for internal order; Mustafa Alka-robi, who is believed to control the intelligence network; Abu Younis, commander-inchief of the armed forces and

Alkwaldi al-Hamidi, head of the people's militia. General People's Congress elects an executive com-mittee—in effect a cabinet with a general secretary, Jadallah Azzuz al-Talhi, who is

to all intents and purposes the Prime Minister. But real power rests with the colonel and his three old military associates. The most recent of their evolutionary innovations has

been a move to close down the sougs, the traditional Arab trading bazaars. To replace them, the authorities have them, the authorities have established central trading agencies which buy in bulk abroad and sell through modern supermarkets. The importation of luxury goods has been reduced but prices are said to be half what they would be in the souq.

The change in trading system o a halt by revolutionary mass is a further indication—along nectings or demonstrations. with the profusion of smart Colonel Gaddafi, a lean, modern flats and housing

country's oil wealth on meering the needs of ordinary Libyan

In spite of Colonel Gaddafi's tirades against the evils of Western imperialism, the Western regime continues to sell most of its oil to the West and to place development orders in the hands of Western capitalists as well as East European social-

Nearly half the million-strong work force is foreign, with sizable contingents from both West and East Europe, includ-

ing 6,000 Britons. Their lives and those Libyans are restricted by the inhibitions of Islam and an_ excess of bureaucracy but there are few overt indications of

authoritarian rule.

Nevertheless, the present anti-corruption campaign is undoubtedly creating consider-

able unease. Libyan officials say it is directed against the post-revo-lutionary rich who have pro-fited unduly from the country's development.

development.

Some foreign observers believe it will be used also to root out incipient political opposition. The kilking of two foreign-based Libyan dissidents, one in London two weeks ago and another in Rome last week, certainly lends support to the view that, for one reason or another, the one reason or another, the regime is demonstrating the extent of its authority.

Michael Knipe

QUALITY

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BY JOHN DICKINSON.

A generation of consumers

bastion on which the dairy in-dustry works and from which it defends its methods against criticism and political attack. Because the product is fresh, it does not last long. Therefore it must be made available to families at frequent intervals. Because it is an important part of the diet, they need plenty of it. Because it is such a bulky irem in the shopping bag, it must be delivered to the door-

Dairy industry starts to lose faith in the doorstep pinta

Milk has been sold for years in Britain on the basis that it is fresh and unprocessed. Its natpreserve a pattern of distribu-tion that has disappeared almost everywhere else in the world. Dairies meet all critiural properties have been con-trasted with those of foods which emerge from factories cism of the present structure of the industry by insisting that doorstep delivery of milk is a vital service and that con-

A generation of consumers has been encouraged by lavish advertising and promotion to regard milk as a supremely healthy food. The slogan "Drinka Pinta Milka Day" is one of the most successful of the past 30 years.

The freshness of milk is the hastion on which the dairy insumers demand fresh milk. There are signs, however, that the dairy industry is losing faith in its long-held convictions. While it mounts vigorous competition against the
import of long-life milk from
the Continent it invests in the Continent, it invests in similar products itself.

The most important thing about milk is that it contains far, and far content is a tradi-tional yardstick of its quality. It is no longer fashionable, however, either to consume fat or to be fat. Moreover, animal fats like those from cows have been linked increasingly in recent years with the incidence of heart disease.

of heart disease.

How are dairies to meet the weights. Unigate, the largest dilemma? If they leave the fat dairy group in Britain, will in milk, they will go against a supply the milk, and Roche growing trend. If they take it Products the vitamins. The defends the need to

The distributors claim that ir contains half of the calories of fresh milk, and they intend it to challenge the supremacy of bottled fresh milk. The new product will be available only in Bournemouth and Chichester and will therefore be sampled by only a minute fraction or the milk-drinking families in only a minute fraction of

Britain. Although the product will make a small initial impact, it

out, they will go against a generation of promotion which has praised solk because nobody tinkers with it in factories.

Some families in two English towns will be able to sample a new type of milk from Sunday. It will be a long-life milk, sold in cardboard pint containers, with the fat skimmed off. The vitamins which are lost in skimming will be replaced in the final product.

The distributors claim that it contains half of the calories of fresh milk, and they intend it to challenge the supremacy of

gate milkmen. That raises the question of why it is necessary to maintain daily doorstep delivery of a product which can be stored unopened for three months before it is opened. Dairy companies have protested for years about threats to home deli very, whether from profit squeezes, EEC recommenda-tions or free imports. They appear to be creating the latest

threat themselves. **Hugh Clayton**

RG) A Dickinson Robinson Group Product.

date of 1649.

Hopes that differences Objectionable dressing up of fact and fiction with Saudi Arabia will soon be resolved

The Government hoped and believed that with goodwill on both sides, the present misunderstanding could be overcome and the normal course of relations resumed, Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said in a state-month of the return to the United ment on the return to the United Kingdom of Mr James Craig, HM Ambassador in Saudi Acabia.

He said that the wide range of bilateral contacts would not be in-terrupted by the United Kingdom and he hoped British Citizens workand he hoped British Citizens working in Saudi Arabia and British
business visitors will not be
deterred by these events.

We wish (he said) to see the
minimum disruption in our relations and a speedy return to the
friendship which has characterised
them in the past. them in the past. Lord Carrington ambassador has been asked to leave by the Saudi authorities, as a direct result of the damage caused

to the relationship between our two Governments by the film Death of a Princess which was shown by ATV on April 9.

On April 3, the Saudi Foreign On April 3, the Saudi Foreign Minister summoned our Charge d'Affaires in Jedda to tell him of his Government's concern about the film and to warn of the very serious consequences which could casue for our relatious.

In the light of this message our ambassador, Mr James Craig, was recalled from leave, and he returned to Saudi Arabia with messages from the Lord Privy Seal Sir Ian Gilmour and myself.

We stressed that the British Government would regret it deeply if our close relations with the kingdom were damaged by an event for which neither Government was responsible, I would like to take

expression of regret.

After the film was shown there was considerable press comment and the Saudi Embassy in London issued a statement which was highly critical of the film and ATV. There has been widespread pro-test from all over the Arab and Mushim worlds and amention has been focused on plans to show the film in other Western countries. Yesterday the Saudi Foreign Minister told our ambassador that his Government had re-evaluated Angio Saudi relations and decided that it was not proper to maintain them at their present level. They would therefore not proceed with would therefore not proceed with the despatch of their ambassador designate to London and they would have to ask our ambassador,

to leave for the time being.

The Saudi authorities have also rade it clear that a visit by the Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, which had been planned for April 30, would no longer be appropriate, and other high level visits have been cancelled.

I should like to stress once again that the Government attach a very great importance to our relations. great importance to our relations with Saudi Arabia and we regret that they should have been damaged in this way by an incident outside our control...

outside our control.

We have a close political and economic relationship from which we both benefit. There is a community of about 30,000 British people working in Saudi Arabia.

We share a common concern that the vital Gulf area should develop in stability and peace without interference from outside powers. In view of present external threats to the area we should be drawing closer together not drifting apart.

Lord Boothby—If the late Lord Reith had still been in charge of radio and television in this country, nobody would have dared

even to mention, still less to show him, the film Death of a Princess. In all the circumstances, there is something to be said for look-ing for someone similar to Lord Reith, preferably a Scotsman, who could be relied upon to discharge

could be relied upon to discharge his duties at this time of inter-national crisis with the responsi-bility with which Lord Reith discharged them without any necessity for Government inter-vention.

Lord Carrington-No doubt it is true that if Lord Reith had been

true that if Lord Reith had been there it would not have happened. My imagination does not go so far as to think of Lord Reith as chairman of a commercial television station. (Laughter.) Lord Jacques (Lab)—When you have a film that is so against our national interest, its display should be prohibited by a resolution of the Commons supported and confirmed by this House.

Lord Carrington—We have to be careful in what we do about free-dom of expression in this country-(Renewed cheers). Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C)—Have

the Government or representatives of Saudi Arabia received any expression of regret from the television company concerned?

Lord Ardwick (Lab)-Not all of

Lord Carrington-No.

Mrs Thatcher

refuses to

sell sterling

under-Lyne, Lab) to instruct the reduce the value of the pound.

He said that today's further rise in the value of the pound would mean further problems for manu-

factured exports and greater opportunities for manufactured imports, to the great disadvantage of British industry.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North,

Lab)—Now that the inflation rate has broken through 20 per cent, does this not show that his specti in January that Britain was in for

three years of unparalleled austerity is proving only too correct?

His latest speech referring to the morement of maney supply and inflation was an honest and courageous speech because it explains the mumbo-jumbo of the Government's own economic thirting.

Mr Biffen (Oswestry, C)—If I wanted commendation for my speeches then I would not look to him for it. If I had to comment upon the nature of my speeches, I would rather say they were trite

courageous.
Mr John Townend (Bridlington,

Mr John Townend (Bridlington, C)—Is he worried that the current level of increase in the cost of public sector pay, which with the help of Professor Clegg, whom I will say no more about, has touched 25 per cent? Is the Gorerment going to get a grip on this problem and see that this disastrous situation does not repeat itself in the coming year?

Mr Biffen—it is important to get

Mr Biffen—it is important to get the whole issue of Professor Clogg-into perspective. Many Conserva-

tive MPs were happy to light upon an election manifesto which had no commitment to disavow the Clegg

recommendations.

The test is the extent to which

uplace rather than

ment's own economic thinking.

Tories did not say they

would disavow Clegg

vention.

The least said the soonest mended

Lord Goronwy-Roberts, Opposition spokesman on foreign and Com-monwealth affairs—Will he conmonweater arthres—will be con-tinue to assure the royal house and people of the kingdom of Saudi Arabia of the widespread and groutine understanding and respect for Saudi Arabian feelings at this time in this country?
We greatly hope that our rela-We greatly hope that our relationship will soon be fully restored so that our two countries may continue to act together and do everything in our power to ensure the stability and security of the Middle and Near East, particularly the Gulf area.

Lord Wigoder (L)—In this extremely unhappy situation the matter is perhaps best left to diplomatic channels and public debate is unlikely to serve any constructive purpose.
This is not the first time in

This is not the first time in recent months that serious misunderstandings have arisen as a result of the tendency of some television companies to present programmes deliberately designed to give the impression of being documentary programmes based on fact whereas the reality is that in substance they are no more than fictional reconstructions.

Lord Carrington—I can give Lord Goronwy-Roberts that assurance. We shall continue to do that. I agree with what he said in the latter part of his remarks.

I agree with Lord Wigoder. I think on the whole, I hope on the whole, that the less said the

wrone, that the less said the soonest mended. We have made our position abundantly plain to the Saudi Government.

In the light of what has happened and the previous examples he has quoted, it might be as well for those who are producing these programmes to have a good look at the consequences of what they are doing.

Lord Ardwick (Lab)—Not all of those of the need of the side of the happy about the kind of censorship that has been suggested. On the other hand, those of us who are veterans of the media deplore is called "faction".

Lord Carrington—That seems a nicely balanced supplementary with which we can all go along.

Shares plan for workers in aerospace industry

Employees of the new company which will take the place of British Aerospace will get ax advantages on shares they receive under a special arrangement, Lord Trefgarne, a Lord in Waiting, said in moving that the British Aerospace Bill, which dissolves British Aerospace and which has massed the space and which has passed the Commons, should pass. It had just been read the third time. He said the Chancellor, Sir Geofrey Howe, had already amounted measures to widen and make more attractive existing provisions of the Finance Act, 1978, by which employee shares held in trust

enjoyed tax advantages.

He now had (urther information on the Government's arrangements regarding British Aerospace to take advantage of that.

On the initial flotation, the Government would be prepared within financial limits to make available from the form of the control of the contr

free shares for employees who bought their own shares and ledged them all in a trust estab-lished under the Finance Act's provisions.

What is proposed (he said) may be described simply as a limited offer for there will be financial limits of two for the price of one with tax advantages on top of this. In addition the continued) we are also considering if we can and should go beyond this proposal by providing also shares for those

providing also shares for those employees who do not themselves contribute. After the initial flotation it would be for the company to decide what continuing scheme to adopt. This would require careful consideration but not government

The Bill was passed.
The Transport Bill, which has passed the Commons, was read a second time.
House adjourned, 8.42 pm.

Value of £

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a written reply, said—Taking the internal purchas-ing power of the pound as 100b in May 1979, its value in March 1930, the latest period for which infor-mation is available, was 851p.

Value of coppers

Sir Geoffrey Howe. Chancellor of the Exchequer, said in a written reply: The value of the meral con-tent of the 1p and 2p coins is approximately 0.35p and 0.69p respectively based on current metal prices. Parliamentary notices House of Commons
Today at 9.30. Films Bill, accord

The Foreign Secretary's statement on the expulsion of the British Ambassador to Saudi Arabia was repeated by Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal. mr Tom Delyell—Many of the families of the 30,000 reside in oil complex areas like West Lothian. What assurances can be vive these families? Lothian. What assurances can be give these families?

Sir Ian Gilmour (Chesham and Amersham, C)—We have no reason to believe that as a result of what has happened that the presence of Mr Dalyell's constituents, and other British subjects, is any less welcome than it was before this latest development.

This incident does not mean the end of diplomatic relations. We have recently increased the number of consular staff to serve the increasing community and the departure of our ambassador will not affect the staffing or the other services they provide. Mr Eldon Griffiths (Bury St Ed-munds, C)—This incident would munds, CI—This incident would be damaging enough in its own right, but seen against the background of the serious situation in Iron and Afghanistan, it is a matter of the gravest importance that our relations should now be affected with the most important of the Arab oil states. He should consider whether it would be wise for him to seek to visit the Saudi Government personally for the purpose of discussing Anglo-Saudi relations

cussing Anglo-Saudi relations with the Government of that country. One of the conditions of freedom of the press which we all support is that there should

Revenue

the black

economy

Positive action would be taken

Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian, Lab) asked for a statement on discussions with the Inland Revenue Staff Association on tax

alert on

too.

Sir Ian Gilmour—This incident, which would have been regretable in the light of events in Iran and Afghanistan. Obviously, we shall do all on our side to try to make the break in these relations as short as possible. At present, it would not be appropriate for me or other members of the Government to 20. bers of the Government to go, although we are at all times ready to do what we can to bring disruption to an end.

We have freedom of communications in this country which the Government have been careful Government have been careful, like other governments I trust, not to interfere with, but that must be balanced by a degree of responsibility by those people who make films which are shown abroad

abroad.

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab)—While endorsing the wish for continued close relations with Saudi Arabia, he should take every opportunity to make plain to the Saudi Government that the press Saudi Government that the press and television in Britain are not subject to ministerial dictation. Further, while we should and do respect the culture and traditions of their country, we expect an equal respect for our own of which freedom of the press and information is a vital part. (Labour cheers). Sir lan Gilmonr.—Of course I agree, and indeed we have made clear to the Saudi Government from the word go, and from before the film was shown, that

do so.
While we all appland freedom while we all applain reenom of the press, this film is subject to quite considerable criticism, and those people who will have seen it, will be aware of that. Mrs Penelope Morthner who cannot be accused of prejudice affecting Conservative MPs, in a letter to the New Statesman pointed out that this film is open to objection and the whole genre is some-thing the IBA and the BBC should give considerable attention to. The dressing-up of alleged fact and fiction is something not only objectionable to our own foreign relations, but strongly objection-able in films affecting this country

Mr Dennis Walters (Westbury, C)—He should confirm that this regrettable episode which we all hope to British and Arab interests will soon be overcome, will in no way interfere with the pro-posed British and European initia-nive in the Middle East which would do a good deal to reassure countries there of our interests and friendship.

Sir Ian Gilmour—Like most of the House I am not a television critic and I do not watch much of it. I made it my business to watch this film. this film.

I think the so-called dramatiza-tion or fictionalizing of alleged facts or history is extremely dan-gerous and misleading and is something the broadcasting authorities must give close atten-tion to. Mr Nicholas Winterton (Maccles

field, C)—Some Conservative.

MPs would wish to apologise to
the Saudi Government and its
royal family for the insult and
discourtesy that has been shown
to them in this film. The producer of this film, Mr Authory Thomas, has a history of producing inaccurate and blased films. Sir Iam Glimour should make approaches to the IBA to ensure that these left-wingers do not have the power to undermine the best interests of the United Kingdom.

Sir Ian Gilmour—Undoubtedly, there were passages in this film which we know from Mrs. Mortimer have no factual basis at all but were based on innuendo and runour and they should not have been shown. and friendship.

Sir Ian Gilmour—No. This will not bave a general effect on our foreign policy, although it would be idle to deny that this low of relations between us and one of the most important countries in the Middle East is a setback, we shall try to see it lasts for as short a time as possible.

Mir Andrew Fands (Warley, Lab)
—The irresponsibility and self-interest of some of the bright timesest of some of the bright timeset of this House to make appeared arising out of this incident.

increase at this rate, the petrol companies should be allowed to put up petrol prices to as much as £1.40 a gallon, with no mechanism to stop them.

Mr Peter Fraser (South Angus, C) said that the changes made by the Government in its first budget had

been correct and courageous.
Nothing said by the Opposition
since or during the debate left
anyone any reason to doubt that.

Mr Clive Soley (Hammersmith, North, Lab) said there was an urgent need for additional finan-cial help with fuel bills or lowering of their impact on the cost of living on low income groups.

Mr Christopher Murphy (Welwyn and Hatfield, C) said that the Gov-

fanatical attachment to, monetary policy.

The Government was hooked on monetary policy. It might as well be hooked on LSD. It had an hallucination that by putting prices up it could bring the rate of inflation down.

The Conservatives had sown the seeds of their own destruction and the destruction of Britain in terms of high inflation, industrial dereliction, and the suffering of the ordinary working people.

tary of State for Trade (Waltham

the cause of inflation was the vast

excess of mbases beyond that which was justified by the levels of production. That excess sprang entirely from the spillage of money into the economy in 1979 as part of the last Government's election

the last Government's election campaign.

Not only had Labour left the Conservatives post-dated cheques but had even left Professor Clegg to fill in the figures.

To change the direction of an economy was a slow process, but the Government had changed that direction and would reap the benefits in the years to come.

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ordinary working people. Mr Norman Tebbit, Under Secre-

Inflation battle will be won: year not a long time in economics It was this Government's overriding priority through all its economic policies and the stimulation of competition, to overcome luftation, bring it down to tolerable levels and keep it down. The Government inherited accelerating inflation, raw material costs and pay settlements and an acceleration in the money supply. If it had not embarked quickly on necessary measures—a number of them unpalatable but necessary— inflation would have been even higher today. The Government's approach was fundamentally different from that of the Opposition. It was to tackle the root causes of inflation and to prevent it from happening in the first place instead of merely trying to disguise it once it had happened. The problems that had to be tackled and overcome would neither be easily or quickly resolved. It was not a coincidence that countries with low rates of infla-

It was not a coincidence that countries with low rates of inflation and strong economies pursued policies similar to the Govern-

ment's policies.

The motion was founded on hypocrisy. It rejected the constructive and realistic policies the Gov-

tive and realistic policies the Gov-ernment was following.

The fight against inflation (she said) is still to be won. A week may be a long time in politics but a year is not a long time in econom-ics. But at least after five years of

ics. But at least after five years of economic degradation for this country we have a policy that can win it and a Government with the determination to see that it does. Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shetland, L) said those on the top pay scales should lead the fight against the appailing disease which saw automatic demands for more money every wear. That was why it

money every year. That was why it was a mistake to increase the Queen's Civil List and the salaries of top public servants by 20 to 25

Unless those who controlled the country's affairs felt the pinch of inflation more, they would have little incentive to reduce it. Poor people were suffering more from inflation and from the measures taken to contain it.

Miss Betty Boothroyd (West Bromwich, West, Lab) said during its term of office the Labour Government increased petrol prices four times to 80p a gallon. By deliber-

atte Government action prices had been increased twice in the past year and that had put up the cost of living. The profits of the petrol companies had soured to record

It could not be right that at a votes to time profitability was allowed to majority, 70.

taken to contain it.

The present excessive and dangerous level of inflation had largely been caused by deliberate Government policies, Mr John Smith, Opposition spokesman on trade, prices and consumer protection (North Lanarkshire, Lab) said when he opened a debate on an Opposition motion deploring the "soaring cost of living". He said it was admitted by the Government that the rate of increase in inflation was over 20 per cent and was likely to rise even further. Within a year of taking office the Government, which inherited an inflation rate of 10 per cent, had doubled it. cent, had doubled it.
At the last election the Government deceived the electorate to the effect that price increases would be

ernment.
The decision to raise VAT to 15

The decision to raise VAT to 15 per cent in the Chancellor's smart Alec Budget was the main impetus to the soaring cost of living and the rising inflation that the country was now suffering from.

It was Government policy to force gas prices up to 10 per cent above the rate of inflation. Within a year gas prices would be increased by 29 per cent and electricity by 20 per cent.

Mortgage rates were at the

ity by 20 per cent.

Mortgage rates were at the record level of 15 per cent with enormous consequences for family budgets. The Government had needlessly and recklessly poured fuel on the fire by their policies. Their only policy was the famous control of the money supply.

Unemployment could not fail to reach 2,250,000 in the next two to three years. Appalling damage was being done to the public services by the Government cuts.

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Mrs Sally Oppenheim, Minister of
State for Consumer Affairs (Gloucester. C) said that one could only
marvel at the breathtaking cheek
of the Opposition who, when in
office, presided over a rate of
increase in prices of a staggering

increase in prices of a staggering and supprecedented 110 per cent. This included no fewer than 83,000 individual grocery price increases. Yet Mr Smith presumed to lecture the Covernment about rising prices. It was like Jack the Ripper lecturing the police academy on the prevention of crimes of violence.

lence.

If the Labour Government had had the courage and honesty to face the realities as the Conservative Government was facing them, and had not squandered resources for political gain leaving the Conservatives to pay the bills. The Government would not be facing the current unacceptably high rate of inflation of which Mr Smith had the gall to complain.

by the Government cuts.

fraud relating to between £5,000m and £11,000m of untaxed funds from the black economy. Mr Rees (Dover and Deal, C)— The Chancellor of the Exchequer has not yet had any such discus-sion, but we have seen the recent statements made by the Civil Ser-vice unions on the black economy. Mr Dalvell-Does the Government Mr Rees—The figures are highly speculative, as I am sure the Civil Service unions would be the first to acknowledge. I would refer MPs to some later work undertaken by the Central Statistical Office which suggested that the black economy may be running at 31 per cent or less of the gross domestic product. We are not complacent about that figure.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood and Ongar, C)—This is a serious problem. Does he expect to have any information fed back by the additional social security inspectors to be appointed so that there may be action against employees and employers?

Mr Roser, No. We expect to have Mr Rees—No. We expect to have better information from the Revenue Department who are naturally alert to this problem. We shall take positive action in the light of anything we discover from them.

Grain industrial relations 'a disgrace'

Industrial relations on the new Isle of Grain power station site were a disgrace when some 27 laggers could bring building to a dead slow and stop, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said at question time.

She added that the laggers were being paid £4.60 an hour. We need (she said) to look at industrial relations on this site and sites of the same kind. We must look into the economics of the construction of power stations when they can be so delayed and over-run like this.

If she were to instruct the Governor of the Bank of England to sell
sterling and to go on selling it,
resisting the market, the money
supply would go through the roof
and they would be laying the foundations of the next round of inflation, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the
Prime Minister, said.

She was responding to a call
from Mr Robert Sheldon (Ashtonunder-Lyne, Lab) to instruct the over-run like this.

Mr Ian Lloyd (Havant and Waterloo, C) had referred to a deplorable example of bath plug economics over the site closure.

Can any industrial society (he
asked) survive a system in which
27 men can force the squandering
of £400m of hard-earned public
capital in this way? The initiative
Mrs Thatcher has shown in this
area is not being sufficiently
robustly supported on the benches
next to her.

before it is too late?

Mr Biffen—That is an invitation for Consecvative MPs to endorse the quasi-statutory control of incomes which collapsed with all the

comes which collapsed with all the consequences which are now being dealt with by Professor Clegg.

Mr Robin Squire (Havering, Hornchurch, C)—The Labour Party only got a reduction in inflation when it was forced to introduce the so-called monetarist measures the consequences of the consequences.

they now criticize us for doing?

Mr Biffen—Mr Healey was an imperfect monetarist. When I look at the Labour Party I take sustenance from Lord Butler who said he was

the best monerarist we have got.

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Mr Denis Healey, Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (Leeds, East, Lab)—I thank him for his compliment. The rate of inflation was halved in the year before we went before the IMF, and let him put that in his pipe and smoke it. Given his distant and smoke it. Given his distant and distrust for Treasury forecasts why does he skulk behind the red book forecast of inflation at the end of the year?

As an honest, imperfect monetarist, does he really believe that the rate of inflation in the fourth quarter of this year will be as low as 15½ per cent?

Mr Biffen—I quoted the figure of 16½ per cent from the red book because it is published with the authority of the Government and is intended to contribute to public discussion and understanding.

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Some unscrupulous Dartmonr Commoners, encouraged by heavy subsidies, put more animals on the commons than they were entitled to, Mr Ray Mawby (Totnes, C) said when the Dartmoor Commons Bill was debated on second read-

Bill was debated on second leading.

He said the Dartmoor Commoners Association had no legal powers to regulate farming or to carry out minor improvements to the land. The lack of a disciplinary system, apart from two manor courts, led to overgrazing, poor performance, high disease and death rates. death rates.

At the same time, the common land was not legally available to the public although it was used by up to eight million visitors a year. The 12 monthly increase in the read price index would peak at analysis there are some grounds slightly over 20 per cent in the second quarter of this year, before Mr Robert MacLennan (Caithness falling to 161 per cent in the fourth quarter, Mr John Eiffen, Chief ton by this Government which is Secretary to the Treasury, said during questions. He could not helpfully expand on those forecasts, he added.

The Death Winnight (Walsoll North disappears and prices, Will he disavow the Government's policy analysis there are some grounds for modest hope.
Wir Robert MacLeman (Caithness and Sutherland, Lab)—The innovation by this Government which is repugnant to Labour MPs is its abandonment of its direct responsibility for promoting sensible policies on wages and prices. Will he disavow the Government's policy before it is too late?

encouraged new sites in and around the National Park and there was now no need for casual camping by the roadside or on open common land.

An amendment had been agreed to meet a suggestion by the Camp-ing Club of Great Britain that their objection to the Bill would be met if camping control did not apply to enclosed common land.

The objection by the British Hang Gliding Association to the clause relating to that sport had clause relating to that apart are been met

The Bill provided for the appointment of wardens.

Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing, North, C) said he was strongly opposed to the Bill which could do more to divide town and connry than almost any pitched battle.

The accords of Dartmoor would

Dartmoor Commons Bill rejected that riders would be present on bridleways. A year or more of negotiation with the promoters of the Bill and the British Horse Society had produced not a word of change, and this was a serious situation for riders and many others. Mr Denis Howell, and Opposition spokesman on the environment (Birmingham, Small Heath, Lab) (Birmingham, Small Heath, Lab) said that the proposed Commoners' Council, which had extraordinary powers, seemed overwhelmingly composed of local interests at the expense of the national interest. Dartmoor did not belong exclusively to the local people.

land was not legally available to the public although it was used by up to eight million visitors a year. National park rangers and the police had no power to act against such technical trespassers. There was room for many recreational activities, but there was some need to regulate them.

While the backpacker caused no probleins those in caravans, motor caravans and highly-coloured fram tents did. The park authority had

Bartering on prices ruled out in **EEC** budget talks not bartering a settlement in one sphere against a settlement in another. We are prepared to look

another. We are prepared to look at them all—certain farm prices, sheep meat—within the same time scale. (Labour interruptions and cries of "Oh")

Many Conservative MPs would say that if we are expecting the Community to help in sort out our problems we must equally be ready to help them to sort out theirs. That is what a Community is. (Conservative cheers.)

Mr Callagham—I do not know whether Mrs Thatcher was trying to obfuscate the issue or not. What she said at the end was not clear. We would like a clear answer from her on this matter.

we would like a clear answer from her on this matter.

Is it not the case that when she goes to Luxembourg she will be discussing all these issues naturally separately, but that she does not intend to yield on what is common sense in the agricultural discourage requires that com-

is common sense in the agricultural situation—namely that commodities that are in surplus will not enjoy price increases this year? (Labour cheers and cries of "Answer".)

Mrs Thatcher—I had hoped we were at one on this. I thought after my last reply that we were.

Mrs Thaicher-We are not going

Mrs Thatcher—we are not going to barter prices on the agricultural settlement against the budget. The agricultural settlement will be dealt with by the agricultural ministers in the ordinary way.

ordinary way.

Mr Callaghan, rising to Conservative protests, said: With all respect, we have not had an answer to the question and it is a simple one. Are we intending to stand firm on our position that commodities in surplus will not enjoy a price increase during the coming year?

Mrs. Therefore, He is selving me to

Mrs Thatcher—He is asking me to achieve something he never achieved. (Labour protests) What I will not do is to barter prices in

the agricultural council against the budget. With all due respect, I do not think he could ask for more than that.

man toat:
Mr Callaghas, again rising to Tory
protests, said: The House and the
country will draw their own conclusions from that attempt to
wriggle. She is wrong.
We did achieve a freeze on surplus commodities and they did she

enjoy any price increases. Will she withdraw her remark on that?

Mrs Thatcher—A freeze on surplus commodities was necotiated last year by Mr Walker. In almost all

the years of the Labour Government they negotiated increases in prices above those recommended by the Commission.

There were prolonged exchanges between the Frime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition, with Mr. Callaghan intervening five times, over Mrs Thatcher's attitude to the statement by France that there could be no agreement on the budget issue at next week's EEC summit without prior agreement on farm paces. ment on farm prices.

Mr. Callaghan demanded assurances that farm price increases would not be bargained against the budget and that commodities in surplus would not be increased in price this year. Mrs Thatcher stated that the Government would not barter a settlement in one sphere against settlement in one sphere against a settlement in another but that the Government was prepared to consider other issues, like agricultural prices, within the same time-scale. That reply brought an angry response from Labour MPs. Mr Richard Body (Holland with Boston, C) began the exchanges by asking—The essence of any genuine community must be that those who are strong and well off those who are strong and well off help those who are less well off. Therefore at this time we should be net beneficiaries and not net If she cannot reach any agree-

ment there is no Euro-faustic in this country who can hope to persuade the British people that we ought to belong to such a we ought to belong to such a community.

Mrs Thatcher—Partners are entitled to an equitable deal. We are not being treated equitably at the moment. We are requiring back some of the net contribution we make. I do not underestimate the difficulty but we must easily to a contribution.

objective.

Mr James Callagian, Leader of the Opposition (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—We wish her success in recovering these large sums of money. In view of President Giscard's statement yesterday that this issue could not be settled in the absence of a statement to increase farm prices, will she give an assurance that the Minister of Agriculture (Mr Peter Walker) will not weaken and that Britain will concede no increase in the price of goods and commodities in surplus?

Mrs Thatcher—When the statement by President Giscard was communicated to the agriculture ministers, Mr Peter Walker made a

ministers, Mr Peter Walker made a robust response, as only he can, that the agriculture price agreement would be dealt with, as it always has been, on merit. I have made it abundantly clear that we are certainly prepared to look at the other matters which have to be settled within the same time scale, but each must nevertheless be considered on merit. I shall stick to that view. Mr Callaghan—I take it the Prime Minister wanted the House to understand that there is no question of us bargaining increases in the farm price settlement on commodities in surplus against the budget. mpisters. Mr Peter Walker made a

ernment was elected on a manifes-to containing a clear commitment to reduce public sector spending and it was increasingly obvious that such a policy had to be carried out without delay. Mr John Fraser, an Opposition spokesman (Lambeth, Norwood, Lab), said the rise to a 15 per cent VAT rate had been a reckless and doctrinaire change, coming only weeks after the Chancellor denied there would be a doubling of the ax. Many of the increases the Government had contributed to came from its fascination with, and fanatical attachment to, monetary

The Commission.

The country will be well aware that it was Mr Callaghan who left us with a net contribution to the EEC budget which . . . (Conservative cheers and loud Labour protests and interruptions.) Mr Walker firm on surplus food prices

said in a statement that the statement issued by EEC farm ministers contained no com-mitment on price levels, though it recorded that a large majority of member states was in favour of larger increases than had been pro-posed by the Commission. posed by the Commission.

There was virtually no discussion of sheep meat, but the French mindister and himself each circulated their respective positions and those would be further by the appropriate intsitutions.

Mr Roy Mason, chief Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Barnsley, Lab)—He has stood by his pledge to the House that he would have agree to any prices for process. pleage to the House that he would not agree to any prices fo rpro-ducts in structural surplus or agree to a shetpmeat scheme which bene-fited the French at the expense of the Community budget. He has effectively passed the buck to the Prime Minister and the summit meeting.

Prime Minister and the summit meeting.
While he has stood by his pledge, does he think that the Prime Minister will do the same? I must warn him we fear a self-out at the summit.
This is not the best way to develop a sensible and rational agriculture policy when it is going to be subjected to trade-offs between Prime Ministers. I hope he will assure us that he will not allow the Prime Minister to trade off our Prime Minister to trade off our common fisheries policy objective or weaken on a price freeze for surplus products.

Mr Walker—I admire the check of Mr Walker—That has always been the Opposition. No Government the ossition, and unlike the Oppogavt away more on prices for sition, we have stuck to it.

The Government's view that there should be no price increases in agriculture products in surplus in the EEC was repeated during the Council of Agriculture Minister's meeting in Brussels, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, prices beyond what the Commission was a price was provided in the commission was a price was provided in the commission was a price was provided in the commission was provided in the last Labour Government. The former prime Minister in 1977-78 not only agreed to increase in prime Minister in 1977-78 not only agreed to increase in Labour Government. The former prime Minister in 1977-78 not only agreed to increase in Labour Government. The former prime Minister in 1977-78 not only agreed to increase in prime Minister i of the CAP went up from £1,600m to £7,000m as a result of his rather reckless policies towards it.

Mr Bobert Hicks (Bodmin, C)—
The dispute with the French over sheepmeat has been allowed to drag on for far too long to the detriment of United Kingdom sheep producers. What further action can he take which will resolve this problem?

Mr Walker—At the meeting at 3 o'clock this morning when we reached the sheepmeat regime item, the French Minister announced he was totally in disagreement with all proposals put forward and as the Council of to £7,000m as a result of his rather agreement with all proposals put forward and as the Council of Ministers had not agreed on any of the other many proposals he was making on price increases elsewhere, he could not go on discussing that topic, The Presidency and others reacted. This was a matter that had to be cleared up in the near future. matter that had to be cleared up in the near future.

The paper that the British Government tabled which does not include intervention and would benefit our sheep producers as the biggest sheep producers in Europe, will be discussed at a working committee prior to the next Council meeting. I hope then we can make progress. make progress. Mr Gavin Strang, an Opposition or Gavin Strang, an Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Edinburgh, East, Lab)—Is the Government committed to a price freeze on milk and sugar?

Mr Walker—That has always been

Two-day defence debate

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be:

Monday and Tuesday: Debate on defence White Paper.

Monday and Tuesday: Industry Bill, committee. Wednesday: Employment Bill, completion of remaining stages. Thursday: Debate on reports of Public Accounts Committee. Friday: Debate on London.

Wednesday: Debate on Post Office. Thursday: Debates on reports of EEC committee on trade policy

The case against ballots on existing closed shops

A Conservative backbench amendment providing that existing closed shop agreements would be null and void if they had not been confirmed within two years of the passing of the Employment Bill by a secret ballot conducted under the provisions of Clause 6 (Dismissal relating to trade union membership) was rejected early today by 477 votes to 49—Government majority, 428.

Debated with this amendment

were banned.

There was a danger that by passing legislation which could not be enforced, such informal agreements as resulted might restrict the right of individuals to work far more than an open agreement which was regulated

tion of individual rights and were not inhibited in bargaining by the fact that a closed shop existed. The proposal to make formal The Bill did a great deal for in-dividual protection within closed shop situations. It would reinforce responsible union behaviour and diminish the possibility of intimida-tion in closed shops and support indications. Members in resisting agreements null and void was fraught with dangers and risks. Debated with this amendment was another one from Conservative backbenchers providing that existing closed shops would cause three years after the passing of the Bill unless reapproved by ballot. All future closed shop agreements would lapse three years after they came into effect unless reapproved by ballot. The Bill dealt with specific union abuses and bad practices, and did so adequately and effectively. At the same time, they must see that in doing that they did not hamfuture closed shop agreements string industry and prevent employers and management from getting on with the job.

In seeking to tackle the problem individual members in resisting what they regarded as unreason-able demands from their unions. In addition to providing for bal-lots on new closed shops, Clanse 6 would give protection for exist-ing non-union employees in exist-ing and new closed shops and to those who objected to union mem-bership on grounds of conscience or other deeply held personal con-victions. by ballot.

In seeking to tackle the problem of industrial relations (he said) for Employment (Lowestoft, C), we must make sure that we do not create more problems than we paramount concern of Couservatives all along had been to provide effective and proper safeguard for the individual, but they also had to recognize that a simple attempt to ban closed shops would be rather than less. victions.

Bill would help prevent to recognize that a simple attempt to ban closed shops would be rather than less.

This consideration is reflected in the closed shop could sometimes be harmful to the individuals concerned.

Evidence of the 1971 Act suggested that informal agreements, agreements under the counter,

unious: the Government would reappraise on a continuing basis, whether the closed shop arrangements to which they were party Employers were free unliaterally to end closed shop agreements.
Employers and managements,
where they thought it necessary to
maintain closed shops, were paying more attention to the protecments to which they were party were necessary.

This voluntary method together with the statutory back-up he had described would lead them progressively and in a practical and realistic way towards the goal that Conservative MPs and he had in common.

The Bill incorporated a range of provisions which would help prevent the abuses to which closed shops could give rise, encourage responsible trade union and em-

ployer behaviour and support employers who took a hard look at their existing closed shop at their existing closed shop arrangements.

There was a lot of difference between introducing beliets for new closed shops and doing that for existing closed shops which the deen operating for many years. By driving practices underground the closed shops might operate in a more illiberal and arbitrary manner.

manner.
The approach proposed from his backbenches would not allow industry to exercise its judgment. It would not belie industry to have such requirements imposed on it. I believe (he said) we are protecting the individual in this Bill.

What I do not want to do is put either this House in the position of passing legislation it cannot en-force or put the individual in the worse position because the thing goes underground.

It is no part of this Govern It is no part of this Govern. ment to keep on telling industry the whole time what it is to do. We do have to listen to industry. We are talking about wealth creation and we need to carry industry

with us.
The Bill protected the individual

The Bill protected the individual and yet left lodustry with the amount of flexibility it needed. It would not help industry to have the requirements of the amendments imposed on it, particularly when the sauctions pronosed ricked undoing protections the Government sought to provide. The Government's proposals in-volving the closed shop echoed the

whole tenor of the Bill. It was seeding to deal effectively with specific abuses and problems in industrial relations. The provisions in the Bill would airs enterfactory safemarks to individuals and would also be acceptable to those who would be directly concerned with working them.

The report state of the re-The report stage of the Employment Bill was adjourned until Monday. Wednesday's sitting ended at 2.10 am roday.

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training in leadership and op-pression to cause bloodshed. To hear him argue, in Gerard Murphy's forceful performance, the working classes have no interest in using violence to achieve justice. The enemy within are the dissatisfied mem-bers of the families of the rul-ing class.

ing class. Mr Mitchell has fitted in a

number of other examples o

Arabs for a profit and Rupert

Frazer as a second son anxious

to exchange western philosophy

Unfortunately, it is not comic

Davis, John Woodnutt, Margery Mason, Ruth Goring and George

presence at Leatherhead is a hopeful sign. By choosing them,

waking up after a contented suburban slumber.

It may seem odd for the Master of the Queen's Music to hie to the suburbs for a premiere. But Malcolm Williamson is involved in the world of youth music-

patterns create an effect of nonmetric fluidity. The symphony is inspired by Bernadette of

It begins as a representation

resourcefully woven sound-fabric is enlivened by abrupt

texture changes at drametic

junctures, for example where the "Aquero" addresses Beina-

dette, or at her prayers (a

poignant oboe plea), or at the brazen, percussive outburst of

the Kuric. But the music seems

to gravitate into standard kinds

of scheme, often made up of

dialogues of phrases of around the same length; it is apt to drift and become amorphous.

The motivic patterns never

quite seem to draw together

he symphonic argument; and

though the ending has much

character, even a touch of

nobility, one cannot quite avoid

an impression of the improvisatory, even the rambling.

Following the prevailing custom,

which is giving overnight reviewers a hard time, Ron Daniels's first main house Stratford show offers an unusually full text, including the Friar's kaborious recap and Retering dismally unforces rene

Peter's dismally unfunny scene

with the musicians. The entomb-

ment of Juliet is conducted to Stephen Oliver's sensing of Nasir's "In Time of Pestilence"

sung by a stage-full of candle-lit

mourners who disperse, leaving the Friar to get the bad news and hurry off to the vault when

he is already standing inside it.

Just why the text has been allowed to spread and generate awkward side effects is a

mystery to me, as the produc-tion evinces no interest in the play's background events. With the exception of Brenda Bruce's

splendid Nurse, a pugnacious menial given to slapping her own hand whenever she speaks out of turn, the elders re-main uncharacterized, elegantly

dressed mannequins whose only

function is to deliver chunks of

unfeeling rhetoric and submit

just as impassively to their

The point, presumably, is that

they are of no use to the young who are thus left alone to con-

tinue the dynastic feud unaided by anything beyond their own passions. It is only their society

that the production explores, and the parental elders are sup-planted by Mercutio and Tybalt who lead their black leather

gangs around the flaking mobile walls of Raiph Koltai's

Verona as if hot from their latest assault on the Neasden

transport system.

hildren's embraces.

Romeo and Juliet

Stratford on Avon

Irving Wardle

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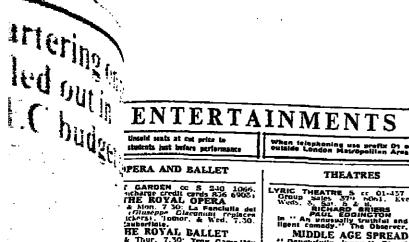
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for an eastern prophet. The social fabric is torn from the top, and Mr Mitchell tries to say that in the form of a dour Ir might have been guessed that the generation of young film directors who now dominate Hollywood, who founded their careers on their enough and some good actors have to pick their way carefully through the thorny significance of their lightest remarks. The remaining members of Mark Cullingham's company, Eleanor Davis John Woodpart, Margery ability to turn a low-budget "B" film into a minor masterpiece, would go the way of their predecessors. The "new Hollywood" is taking on the symptoms of the old. As they all began their careers together, so they are reaching the same stage of development. Pravda, survive with varying degrees of success, but their After Francis Ford Coppola's and a faulty, ambitious play, Mr Cullingham serves notice that the Thorndike Theatre is Apocolypse Now and Martin Scorsese's New York, New

York, both lumbering epics which proved that neither director was quite in control, comes Steven Spielberg's 1941, which has the dubious credit of being, in stark dollar terms, the most expensive picture ever made. Staying true to the Hollywood tradition, the cost of 1941 is in inverse proportions to the film's worth. It was, perhaps, a misguided

idea from the start to make a large-scale comedy out of the panic which gripped America's West Coast in the week after Pearl Harbour, but laughter has been raised on less suitable subjects. Speilberg wanted to celebrate the genuine folly of the 1942 "Great Los Angeles Air Raid", in which The cast, too, revive the old Hollywood. The enemy submarine is captained by Toshiro Mifune, the archetypal noble, warring Japanese. Their prisoner is Slim Pickens, who rode the atomic bomb in Dr Strangelove. The face of Sam Fuller, whose life has been tons of shells were released to shoot down an imaginary bomber squadron, 1943 "Zoot-Suit Japanese bomber and the 1943 Riots" between civilians and servicemen, by combining both events into one daft night in

Spielberg might have saved himself the prospect of disaster by taking his own advice. A year ago he boasted to an Lourdes and her apparitions, her own name for which ("Aquero") provides its sub-A year ago he boasted to an interviewer "Comedy is not my forte", and he was right. For all the film's conspicuous of a Pyrenean down: soft blurs of string sound against solemn extravagance and elaborate slapstick, there are few laughs. sustained lines for the horns and trumpets, jangling interjections from the percussion.

There is a hint of the time-I can remember no funny lines. The only substantial joke is Spielberg aping the chilling opening of his own Jaws. A naked girl swims in the moon- and Close Encounters of the their own support of terrorists, of awe, heightened by the deep sombre lines in the heavy brass: akin to Messiaen's connaked girl swims in the moonlit sea as the cellos saw their Third Kind, itad grossed \$630m.

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The depressing thing is that, behaviour make them appear more like gangsters than something more adventurous, guardians of the law. Hoff-More comedy might have

templations, if less grandoise. This gives way to busier textures, artfully laid out in interchangeable blocks of sound, been exploited from the underlying theme of the film, the all written not only with a keen ear but also a keen eye to the young players' needs for security in numbers.

A prolonged Adagio is not easy to sustain. Williamson's assault on Hollywood by an

BBCSO/

William Mann

and, once inside the cathedral, was not permitted to move near enough to the chancel to see as well as hear the Mass being supg. For his second symphony, subtitled St Florian and dedicated to Bruckner's memory, he decided to secrete a mass, only half-experienced, into its orchestral movements. The result was baptized last Wednesdav.

The fragments of choral Mass to St Florian, the Brucknerite's haps because the Creed is the

The choral Mass (what we

hear of it) is not derived from Bruckner, nor in any of his styles, unless the pre-classical models which all students learn to ape. Schnittke is evidently remembering how a quite alien, formal sort of music set off in the appreciative non-Christian listener another train of musical thought, also personal.

It is eventful, in terms of vocal and orchestral colour, of dramatic harmony and texture. rather old-fashioned perhaps for a composer aged 46 this year, though British listeners, at least, will appreciate the younger man's overt homage to our Benjamin Britten.

By investing the audience's sympathy in the wretched plight of Hoffman, Hauff conducts a quiet, painless debate on the conflicting merits of the conflicting merits of political property of political property of political property and property of political property on the conflicting merits of terrorism as a means of political change and the inevitable excesses of state power. His argument is not loaded—both sides are shown to be equally base—but he finally backs the liberal stance, that, if violence is the method of political argument, innocents are going to be hurt. be hurt.

Turning a novel into a film is never easy, even if, as in the case of Sweet William, you employ the novelist, here Beryl Bainbridge, to write the screenplay. It would be interesting to hear the views of Miss Bainbridge about the completed film, directed by Claude Whatham. A layer of gritty realism has been removed from the tone of the removed from the tone of the Bainbridge book, so that Sweet William hooks and feels as if it is an English version of a silly French farce about an incorrigible womanizer who has a string of mistresses.

The hero of the film (Sam. Waterston) is not portrayed as either charming or naughty enough to get away with such a thing, nor do the women (among them Jenny Agurter, Anna Massey and Geraldine James) seem hooked on him enough to put up with his insufferable saugness. The awful tale of a ladies' man who takes terrible advantage has become a light story of misplaced love.

When, in 1975, the aunt and cousin of lackie Kennedy Onessis were threatened with eviction for living in insanitary conditions in their Long Island home, the brothers David and Albert Maysles took their cameras along to see what the fuss was about. Amid the squalor, the bare boards, the racoons in the roof, the fleas and the mangy cats were living Big Edia into her seventies and Little Edie. aged 56 and more than a little dotty. The film of their repeated

visits, Grev Gardens, is wholly fascinating but thoroughly tas-teless. Seldom have filmmakers so clearly been intruding into private grief. Both women were powerless to determine what parts of their lives were to be shown and the Maysles' presence made an "objective" record impossible, causing Little Edie to play up pitifully to the camera. The film is a record of an assault upon two women inspired by a mean desire to broaden and magnify the embarrassment of a third woman whose late husbands were prominent in public life.

he stands accused of terrorist crimes. As his memory has It is sad to see Natalie Wood embroiled in a grubby George Segal sex romp, The Last Mar-ried Couple in America, a tame reworking of the familiar been lost, this accusation is like a living nightmare. His sanity is not reassured wasted on 1941, Spreiberg is by the behaviour of his wife still well in credit. By last year and her new lover, who deceithis two previous films, Jaws bed and bored farce where everyone is supposed to be thinking about sex all day. Even for its type, the humour is spread very thinly in this

Finally, a correction: Rocky was directed by John E. Avildsen, not Sylvester Stalmore difficult, more stretching: man's sense of isolation and 1941 is an abuse of Spielberg's bewildered fear is perfectly artistic freedom. lone, whom I named last week.

Nicholas Wapshott

Only two films by Reinhard face-twitching of Bruno Ganz. Mecca, where he was too late most personal statement of to visit the composer's grave faith. Rozhdestvensky

John Belushi as "Wild Bill "Kelso in 1941

Spielberg slips in. Monochrome

propellers turn as if from Casablanca. A petrol station

burns in its own spilt fuel from The Birds. A fairground rouncebout spins out of control

from Strangers on a Train. A

cliff-top house is destroyed from Zabriskie Point.

which Spielberg uses are, by

contrast, bland and anonymous, except for the splendidly gross

John Belushi who was left to

For all the \$26,500,000

more difficult, more stretching:

go his own way.

alien force, and the subdued Hauff have been released in

references to old films which Britain, The Main Actor and

now Knife in the Head. In

West Germany he has a reputa-

tion for selecting subjects

about the maltreatment of young people either by their

parents or by the state. While

Knife in the Head begins with a voilent police raid on a youth club, its main focus is

the plight of a scientist, Hoff-man, who is innocently shot in the head during the incident.

His experience could repre-

sent the general feeling of pre-natal guilt experienced by young Germans as a result of the last war. As Hoffman gra-

dually regains consciousness

and starts to relearn the basic

skills of walking and talking, he becomes aware that his hos-

pital room is guarded and that

Festival Hall/Radio 3 The name of the Soviet com-

poser Alfred Schnittke is not yet a household word in this country. Gennadi Rozhdestvensky, who conducts the BBC Symphony Orchestra per-suaded the corporation to commission a new work from Schnittke, and intimated that it would preface Bruckner's E minor Mass (the one with windband accompaniment). Schnittke remembered a visit

are mostly heard at the start of a movement, and suggest the symphonic orchestral music to follow—but in the Credo the voices (including vocal soloists) are more closely involved, per-

The Imitation Game

Anybody who dubs it A Peace Requiem has my concordat. The music has its stretches of negative aggression and positive vitality, echoes of Britten's greatest choral work, creatively reworked, and other ideas, more individual or more archaistic, that banish War Requiem from the memory, yet remain for their own sake. Schnittke's St Florian Sym-

phony is gently affecting, neither a challenge nor a masterpiece. For me, new music must have some spiritual impact akin to physical attack, and the new piece did little to rouse my concern. Its undoubted quality has to be admired, and I can imagine that it would be much liked by, for example, a Three Choirs Festival audience.



The costume strikes me as a by the group, it is no direcmisleading cliché but it does underline the production's chief merit: its emphasis on youth.

Not since the legendary
Zeffirelli version have I seen a
production which so powerfully
transmits the sense of awakening addernate. ing adolescence. Judy Buxton's Juliet when we

Nurse can go up and handle her as unceremoniously as an infant, and when we then gesture is overwhelming.

also to Anton Lesser's Romeo who for once is a fit companion for the rest of the gang. If not exactly in the hell's angels class he is impish and witty, and when he goes into the verbal tennis game with Mercutio, each hit registered

At last the penny is beginning to drop beyond the confines of the smart literary world; in Ian

Michael Church

BBC 1

McEwan we have a quite remarkable writer. It is doubtful whether the penny had dropped among the BBC man-agement before that shameful time last year when McEwan's first television play was banned and its producer frozen out.
All the signs are that the representation of an embalmed penis required at certain moments in Solid Geometry blinded the BBC to the merit of

he play itself.

As readers of the New Statesman, in which the script was published, were subsequently able to confirm, that adaptation of one of McEwan's short stories was a slight but highly original piece which would probably not have led to many more complaints than the score or so which for the nervous mandarius constitute a "flood".

It is nice, therefore, to see the BBC partially redeeming itself by screening McEwan's majestic second play in an equally majestic production by Richard Eyre. Once again, as with David Hare's Licking Hitler and Peter Ransley's Kate, the Good Neighbour, hitherto largely ignored aspects of the social history of the Second World War have inspired a piece of television drama which s both new and profound.
The scheme of The Imitation

Game is essentially a simple one. Cathy is a talented, intelligent girl hemmed in by an paradoxically, in that general reversal of nature, women may ances, that of Harriet If the Nazis invade, women

resistance fighters will count as much as men. "Intellias much as men. "Intelli-gence "work is what lures her most-knowledge, and therefore power. Like a moth to the flame, and aided by a series of accidents, she is drawn into the centre of the intelligence operation where she is dis-covered and, her motives misunderstood, is condemned as an enemy of society.

Those who condemned her course, were men, just as it was men who condemned her and her fellow workers to toil without the satisfaction of know-ing what loftier purpose it served. The play was apparently the result of lengthy researches into the life women workers led at Bletchley, and it was fuelled by the conviction that social oppression has more to do with sex than with class.

As the punishment meted out this week to Miss Cynthia Payne amply demonstrates, pat-riarchal attitudes in Britain are still strong, but it is thanks to women like Cathy that they are women like Cathy that they are not much stronger. The imitation Game is indeed a feminist statement, and one of a welcome maturity. McEwan's heroine was not represented as expecting the moon and the stars and, apart from one piece of wonky characterization (the improbable transformation of her would-be deflowerer) the principal men in her life were depicted with understanding and sympathy, if also with sly humour. Trite feminist rhetoric about sex and power was here given substance in dialogue which at times possessed marvellous power and subtlety.

Richard Eyre rose magnifi-cently to McEwan's challenge, echoing the hesitations, the brutal shifts, the light and shade of the script with direcannihilatingly conventional tion of rare quality, using Mor-lower middle class world. For art's dark Fantasia in C minor tion of rare quality, using Mozher the war represents hope: to underscore the tracedy. Among numerous fine performbreak their bonds and be free. as Cathy, stood out like a If the Nazis invade, women beacon.



torial extravagance when they all wind up with their arms rounds each other's necks or

first see her is still a child; the reach the balcony scene and see her arm involuntarily reaching down to touch her lower's fingertips the un-premeditated lyricism of the Thanks, be it said at once.

wonders with the Queen Mab speech (delivered in a crouching position to individual members of the gang), and with the conjuring scene where he employs Cupid as a ventriloquist's dummy, and who is plainly more determined than Chris with a pistol-shot handclap Hunter's Tybalt on a showdown.

writhing in exhausted mirth on the ground. Mr Lesser manages to carry the convivial side of Romeo over into the

love scenes; even in Juliet's

bedroom he remains a joker.

with maskers whirling into Mr Oliver's syncopated dances with a blind Cupid on a pole, one

deduces an ominous comment

on the nature of erotic ob-

Up to that point it is a thrill-

ing evening, conducted under the baleful supervision of Jona-

than Hyde's Mercutio who does

session

From the Capulet feast scene,

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions

Cricket

The young and the not-so-young have some moments to savour

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent LORD'S: MCC, with eight second lanings wickets in hand, are level with Essex.

Essex, the county champious, are having rather the better of their match with MCC, At Lord's yesterday hey had gained a first innings lead of 48 when they declared at 257 for seven. In the 65 minutes that were left, MCC scored 48 for two. For Essex Denness, at the age of 39, scored 69; Fletcher, who is 36 next month, made 41, and Gooth, who is comfortably installed in the England side, got 44. For MCC Wilson, who is 21, and Dilley, who is 20, showed that cricket is also a young man's game by taking five of the seven Essex wickets to fall. Again it was a cold, grey and bleak day, but not uninteresting. For Essex Denness, at the age

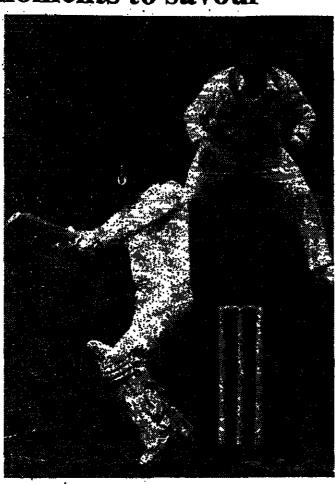
a cold, grey and bleak day, but not uninteresting.

Denness and Fletcher played as well as they ever can have, so early in the season. If Botham beat the bat once before lunch he trust have done so 20 times; so so ten did the batsmen play and miss at him, outside the off stump, that even the unpires smilled in sympathy. Being square on in the way he bats, Gooch was beaten, if anything, more often than Denness. Between them-though, they did well to make 98 together for the first wicket.

As captain of MCC, Botham must have found himself, after an hour or so, thinking that it was time he gave someone else a bowl, yet expecting at any moment to t expecting at any moment to ke a wicket. His luck is not in at the moment. He has recently been flogging the water in Scotland for a salmon, but without success; yesterday, although he bowled better than anyone, he had to wait until nearly 5 o'clock for a wicker.

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It must be a long time since an MCC attack was opened in a match of this kind by two such strapping young men as Diliey and Wilson. The last fast bowling place for last winter's tour to Australia rested between them. In the event it went to Dilley, who had his moments out there. Wilson went to South Africa instead, to widen his experience. Yesterday the fastest ball of the day was bowled by Dilley, who suddenly took everyone by surprise when he made one really take off. On average there was not a lot to choose between them for pace. choose between them for pace. One day, all being well, one or the other may be genuinely fast. Wilson is said to have cut his run down by several yards. If so there must have been a time when he would have started it they must have a long straight boundary at Wellington College, where he was at school. He is very rall and there is too much arm and not enough body in his action, but the same could be said of Neil Adcock, the South African, whose not enough body in his action, but the same could be said of Neil Adcock, the South African, whose



Captains two: the old hand, Fletcher, drives while the young lion, Botham, watches from the slips

howled too short; Miller looked fit again after his premature return from Australia with a back injury. There was, in fact, a brilliant diving catch in the gully by Miller, who also held a good running one in the covers. Fletcher was playing very well when Miller caught him; well enough, I dare say, to make the selectors think of him in terms selectors think of him in terms of next winter's tour to West Indies. In a rather chancier way, and not for so long, Butcher, too, was also taking the eye when Gooch caught him beautifully at second slip off Sainsbury, diving to his left, after Fletcher had declared.

the same could be said of Neil Adcock, the South African, whose run-up was similar, and no one much liked playing Adcock on his day. It is too early to be sure about Wilson, but he is one to follow.

Of the five fast or fastish bowiers in this match—Dilley. Wilson, Lever, Sainsbury and Botham—the first four all run much the same distance, which, as near as makes no matter, is 35 yards, or 10 yards farther than Lindwall and 15 yards farther than Lindwall and 15 yards farther than Miller. Edmonds, whose return to the England side would shorten the tall and strengthen the fielding,

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 3-21, W. R. Fletcher, c Miller, b

Hardie, c Parker, b Miller Pont, c Miller, b Botham arner not out ... 35 Smith, I bw. b Dilley ... 9 . East. not out ... 9 was (b 2, l-b 3. w 1, n-b 11) 17

Umpires: J. G. Langridge and P. B.

Today's cricket

Gower rewards the frozen faithful

McQueen still unfit

back injury.

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Rugby League

more easily

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Pitchford, the Leeds prop forward, also got "sending-off sufficient" and can play for Leeds at Salford, while Hogan ... (Widnes), who appeared for two dismissals, might have expected more than the three matches he received.

The toughest sentence yesterday was imposed on Nicholas (Warrington), who received a seven-match

was imposed on Aironas (Warring-ton), who received a seven-match ban. Corcoran (Blackpool Borough), got four matches, Kelly (Warrington), three, and other suspensions imposed included Mordell (Oldham), the former Rosslyn-Park player, who sits out

Rosslyn. Park player, who sits out two games next season.

The draw for the first round of next season's Yorkshire Cup has given the holders, Leeds, a home tie against York.

DRAW; Halitay (Cavilorette Posters Noerthern Wille) English V York.

Ersdiage Noerthern V Halley: Will for the color; Keighte V Haldershield; Dewelbury v Branley.

By Keith Macklin

Why Hull can

By Richard Streeton CAMBRIDGE: Leicestershire, with seven wickets in hand, are 79 runs behind the University. An hour's carefree strokenlay by An hour's carefree strokeplay by Gower in the closing stages rewarded the faithful yesterday on an overcast and bitterly cold day at Fenner's. Forceful drives on hoth sides of the wicket brought Gower seven boundaries and his 45 also included a splendidly-timed pull for six over mid-wicket. Less happily for Leicestershire. Taylor, who is not the luckiest of bowlers in the matter of injuries, broke a in the matter of injuries, broke a finger in the field. He could be out of the game for two or three

Gower, for all too short a period, provided the day's spec-tacle before he lobbed a simple catch to backward square leg as he played rather casually off his legs. Among lesser mortals there legs. Among lesser mortals there was also some correct, and at times fluent, batting to admire from Steele, as Leicestershire gathered runs untroubled by Cambridge's predominantly seam track. Briers was out cheaply when he tried to leg glance a shade early and edged a catch to recond slip, but Balderstone scored Inditious nit.
If was three o'clock before Camindge declared with Leicestershire

Second XI championship

Rugby Union Beaumont wins player of year award

Billy Beaumont capped a momentous season yesterday when he was named rugby player of the year. The England lock, who led his country to the grand slam, his country, Lancashire, to the championship, and the North to victory over the Ail Blacks, next week layers for South Africa as captain of the Reitigh Lions. el the British Lions.

By Keith Macklin

The disciplinary committee showed sufficient leniency yesterday to ensure that two Hull players, the full back. Paul Woods, and the centre, Graham Walters, will be eligible to play in the premiership first round tie with Leigh on Sunday.

In Walter's case the "sending off sufficient" verdict for his disoulstal in the Challenge Cup semi-floal round means he is available for Hull in the cup final at Wembley on Saturday week. In the case of Woods, the problem before the committee was whether an "A" team game, ironically between Hull KR and Hull, should tount in his list of suspensions. Beaumont, an overwhelming winner in the player of the year vote by Rugby World magazine, said: "Being captain of a national side pushes me to the forefront, but I could never have achieved this success without the other 14 members of the team. I know it's going to be difficult in South Africa but I am confident that we will return with the spolls in lule.

Campbell, Ireland's record points scorer, was second in the poll and Gareth Dayles, the Wales stand-off half, third.

Blyth, the Swansea full back, have recovered from injury and will play in the Weish Cup final against Bridgend at Cardiff tomorrow. Cheeseman comes into

the back row.

Bridgend, will have J. P. R. Williams at full back. He returned to first-class rugby recently and has played in Eridgend's last four matches. His inclusion means there in place for Ian Davies, Gridgend's leading scorer this CJSON.

Hockey

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Pringle, who is 6ft 4in tall, and whose cricket future lies with Essex, batted before the end with the confidence befitting a man with 100 behind him last year at Lord's. Of the county's regular bowiers, Agnew had trouble with his line and Clift and Cook were the steadlest having been kept in the field longer than counties have become accustomed to being by under-graduates in April. Mubarak and odendaal, the overnight pair, made their third-wicket stand worth 145 before Mubarak played on against Balderstone trying to square cut. Nearly all his 16 fours were driven. Nobody would have begrudged him the further eight runs he conded. Nobody would have begrudged him the further eight runs he needed to become the first Cambridge batsman for 18 years to score 100 in the season's opening match.

Odendaal, early on, was almost caught at leg slip trying to sweep Cook. Otherwise he again made several firm strokes with a conviction that should bring him runs this summer. Leicestershire had

just taken the new ball when Taylor's accident happened as in-tried to catch Odendaal from a hard, straight hit, inches from i bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1—36, 2—36, -181, 4—200, 5—232, 6—237, -241. VLING: Agnew. 19—7— 12.3—3—35—0: Cool 1: CHR. 28—12 nard, straight hit, inches from
the ground.
Davison, who does not often
bowl these days, took over when
Taylor went off to hospital. He
was soon rewarded with Odendaal's wicket when the South
African mistimed an on drive and Gower took an awkward catch at Gower took an awkward caren at midwicket as he fell over. Boyd-Moss, who has made runs for Bedford-hire, looked a well-cranued betsman before he was cought from bat and pad at silly

Rovers name Cooper Gordon McQueen, Manchester United's centre half, has little chance of being fit for tomorrow's home game against Coventry City. He has missed the last two with Terry Cooper, aged 35, the former England, Leeds, Middlesbrough and Bristol City full back,

Umpires: H. D. Bird and W. E.

has been appointed manager of Bristol Rovers.

Gloucester find time for batting practice

By Alan Gibson
OXFORD: Oxford University need
501 runs in their second innings
to beat Gloucestershire.
When an Oxford University side has lost the toss, especially early in the season ,the important thing to remember on the second day is the number they need to save the follow on. This rule, laid down by one of the senior inhabitants of the Parks press box, seemed very likely to apply yes-terday, but, as it happened, did not, partly because Oxford never not, partly because Oxford never looked remotely like saving the follow on and partly because Brain (who is captaining Gloucestershire in this match) did not enforce it. He decided to give his side batting practice, which was a reasonable choice, and opened the second innings with Eainbridge and Graveney. These improbable successors to Hobbs and Succiffe put on 100 in 24 overs, so easily that it was almost embarrassing. almost embarrassing.

was almost embarrassing.
Oxford, beginning at 27 for three, were all out for 79, shortly after lunch, in the 58th over. For a little in the morning, with Orders and Rogers plugging on steadily, it seemed they might make a better response. They reached 67 for four, but then collapsed in the way young, nervous. lapsed in the way young, nervous, inexperienced University sides often do. The seam bowlers who took the wickets, Surridge, Patridge, and Wilkins, did not have much help from the pitch, though puffs of dust came up now and then.
Certainly it seemed to give no help to the Oxford bowlers when It was their turn. Their best was again the off spin bowler Suntliffe, again the oft spin bowier surfire, though I hope he is not given too much work to do, too soon. The captain, Ross, on his form in this match, is scarcely worth his place in the side. No doubt he will get better. You could never have made such a query about Donnelly, who was, so far as my memory goes. was, so far as my memory goes, the last New Zealander to Captain

the field as Gloucestershire battered them. Graveney scored a century, his first. Very pleasingly he
batted for it, though I think he
would agree that, like Broad the
day before, he had a few half volleys to help. I remember quite a
long time ago, an argument between his father Ken and his uncle
Tom. Ken thought he would be a
batsman. Tom thought he would be a
batsman. Tom thought he would be
a bowler. He has turned out more
bowler than batsman, but I bet his
father was pleased last night.
Oxford need not feel to humiliated. Good university sides in the
past have made a mess of their
early matches.

early matches.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Im
319 for 3 with dec (C. B. Broad
M. W. Storold 73 not out. A
Hignell 63 not out.
P. Bainbridge. b Ross...
D. A. Graveney, c Durack. b
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(First Innings):
J. P. Dursck, c Brassington,
Surridge

dge B. Ezekowitz, I-b-w, b J. Ress, c Brassington, b kins
D. Orders, b Partridge
Rogers, 1-b-w, b Sarridge
Moulding, b Surridge
C. L. Vlacoherson, not out
Knight, b Partridge
Mallett, 1-b-w, b Partridge
atchire, b Wilkins
tras (b 4, nb 5)

Total 70 WICKETS: 1-8, 2-27, 3-27, 4-28, 5-67, 6-67, 7-67, 8-71, 9-72, 10-74, 8-71, 9-72, 10-74, 8-71, 9-72, 10-74, 8-71, 9-72, 10-74, 8-74, 9-72, 10-74, 10

Young bowlers rewarded

County cricket's young bowlers, usually overlooked by sponsors will be rewarded by the Commercial Union Assurance Company this season.

Having established the under-23 batsman of the month and batsman of the season awards last season. Commercial Union have now decided to recognize the bowlers' efforts.

Each month's winner will receive Each month's winder will receive a video recorder while the best young bowler of the season will win a set of colour video recording equipment and monitor for his county. The Test selectors, Alec Bedser and Charles Elliott, will be joined as judges by Ted Dexter. Performances in all competitions will count.

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Commercial Union, in addition to continuing sponsorship of the Under-15 County Championship, for which there are 32 entries and the under-19 Oxford and Cambridge Festivals, will also back a boys under-15 golf tournament with the final at Sunningdale on August 26 and 27.

European finalists may have done their national team a big favour

Football Correspondent Football Correspondent

As England gained impetus in the early months of Ron Greenwood's benign guardianship, the belief grew that a new cycle of more successful events was being given a gentle push. Luck as well as judgment changed for the better and there is still an impression that things are neatly falling into place. The arrival of Nottingham Forest and Arsenal in the European Cup and Cup Winners' Cup finals advances the notion.

ners' Cup finals advances the notion.

The timing is ideal, placing Football League clobs in the forefront of Europe just before the European Championship in Italy. Notingham Forest by beating the Dutch club, Ajax, 2—1 on aggregate not only offered themselves a chance to retain the trophy but themselves a chance to retain the trophy but a chance to retain the trophy but they will also extend the run of English appearances in that fival to four successive seasons. That in itself gives the rest of Europe the uncomfortable feeling that in England a resurgence is turiving at club as well as international level.

touch by heating Juventus 1—0 in Turin where on June 15 England play Italy in what will probably be the crucial group match of the European Championship. Juventus, of course, form the backbone of

the Italian national team. That spine seems softer after Imly's struggle against Poland in that same Stadio Communic last Saturday and Wednesday's mortifying defeat for the national cap champions. The predominantly Irish Arsenal team, whose football is not always nutriment to the discriminating, have done England a conspicuous favour.

English football has not pre-European Cup and Cup Winners' Cup finals in the same season and though this is a fine achievement cup mais in the same season and though this is a fine achievement there is a maging thought that the longstanding competition between German and English football may not be greatly influenced by these timely successes of Forest and Arsenal. The Germans had all forms and state would find the transfer of the state of and Arsenal. The Germans had all four semi-finalists in this week's Uefa Cup, which is the barometer of European strength in depth, and Hamburg's superb, Keeganinspired 5—I victory over Real Madrid in the European Cup proved that they will provide Forest with awesome opposition in Madrid on May 28.

While recognising Forest's accomplishment in coming out of the second division to take the league title and reach two European Cupfinals is unique, one would be blind to history if believing that the opposition they have faced so far bears comparison with teams

seen in former years. Ajax were disappointing examples; shadows of an illustrious past, merely hin-dering a Forest side of great determination but scarcely excep-

determination but scarcely excep-tional.

None of these reservations alters the probability that Forest and Hamburg will produce a far more competitive final than last sea-son's when Malmo trod water so tediously. The appearance of Keegan bis last for Hamburg be-fore joining Southampton, and Francis for Forest is an enticing supplementary feature in what could not be a better finale for

Yet again we will frown and say that Forest's defence could let them down and doubtless we will them down and doubtess we will
again be proved wrong by the
stalwart Lloyd and Burns who
were so robustly firm against
Ajax. Once more we will probably
stand back and ask how Forest do
it; even at a time of no great
champions their ability to rise
above fairly ordinary club form is
an ever-surprising talent that even
Keegan and Kaltz may find irkesome.

some.

Axsenal's opponents in the final in Brussels on May 14 will be Valencia who boast such internationally tested players as Kempes, of Argentina, and Bouhof, of West Germany. Both scored in Valencia's 4—0 second leg defeat of Naties.

Birmingham will have Todd for last game

Colin' Todd, Birmingham City's former England defender, can play in the final match of their promotion run-in, but he expects to miss the start of their campaign next season. Todd, sent off at West Ham United on Tuesday hight automatically misses the pagn next season. 1000, sent our at West Ham United on Tuesday night, automatically misses the game at Burnley on Saturday, but an FA disciplinary commission yesterday cleared him to play in the last match against Notis County when he appeared before them for reaching. 20 points.

However, that sending off, his second this season, takes Todd past 30 points, and be will have to come before the FA again. Any suspension imposed then would be carried over to next season.

West Ham's Ray Stewart was cleared to take part in the club's busy build-up to the FA cup final, when he was let off with a warning for 20 points, as was Billy Gilbert, the Crystal Palace defender, who can now face Liverpool at Seiburst Park on Saturday.

Mike England's first squad as the new Weish manager contains a welcome infusion of young talent for the forthcoming Home International series. England, appointed as Mike Smith's suc-

a welcome infusion of young talent for the forthcoming Home Instructional series. England, appointed as Mike Smith's successor last month, has brought in seven new names in his 22-player squad. But he has omitted timee former regulars, Phil Dwyer, John Mahoney and Malcolm Page.

Among the uncapped players are Totuenham Hotspur's second-choice goalkeeper Mark Kendall, who has played at under-21 level, Chester's promising striker lan Rush, and Everton's Kevin Ratcliffe, who have both been promoted from last season's national youth team.

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PARTY: G. Payton (Fullam): R. Healey (Cardiff City). C. Hughton.

Today's fixtures FOURTH DIVISION: Lincoln Cip Halifax Town (7.30): Scantin United w Northampton Town (7.1 Stockport County v Port Vals (7.30) RUGBY UNION: Cardiff v Lin (7.15): Gignorran Wandsurs v C.

punching Keegan, Stietike, a Ir was as though they were German, had an unhappy return, Remon, their goalkeeper, was through the Spanish countryside. The carrier is their defensive rock, merely drifted with the tide and what an irresistible tide it how deanly is Hrubesch in the air. how deadly is Hubbesch in the air, or how powerful is Kait's shot. Once seen, never forgotten. Both scored twice, and Memering, the delibite lifth to a deafening roar in the first minute. Hamberg have no obvious weakness although their defence was rarely usined until after the interval. They are quick, aggressive and organised, and Bullan, aptly named, commands all at the back with nonchelance. Consider the statistics of a bewildering first half. Hamburg scored four, struck the woodwork twice, and brought forth two notable saves. Real replied once, a cool lob from Cummingham, hit the bar ouce, also through Cummingham, and twice forced Kargus to use his comically large gioves. All that in the second leg of a semi-final when defence is the universal password. Nottingham Forcest must have

Englishmen steal the German night

By Stuart Jones Wednesday's memorable night in northern Germany may not have fallen on an English team's success but it did belong to two Englishmen. Keegen's remarkable performance figured prominently in Hamburg's convincing 5-1 triumph, 5-3 overall, against Real Madrid, and the only danger on their path to the European Cupfinal was Cunningham.

A black arrow, there was no

A black arrow, there was no sign of his quivering, tentative performances at international level. At speed which stenced the has crowd, the ebony Cumming-hant flew repeatedly towards Hamburg's last line of white. Sometimes he ran into blind alleys, but the opposition never-rested easily when he was in possession. Birties and Francis can take note.

possession. Birtles and Francis can take note.

Yet there was a Real disappointment. Del Bosque, clearly a skilful artist, completed a frustrating evening by being sent off for when going forward. Players face disciplinary action

ootball Federation announced to-

Florence, April 24.—The Italian were suspected of having fixed two first division matches after bribes. If found gullty the players day that 17 players and a club president face disciplinary action concerning allegations that they manipulated first division matches.

for life and their clubs may be relegated to the second division.

The federation and judiciar yare manipulated first division matches.
The accused include Italy's 1978
World Cop, striker, Paolo Rossi,
and the president of the Italian ing of second division results. At and the president of the Italian champion club, AC Milan, Felice Colombo:

Publishing the results of their ings were played in December, first inquiry into a major illegal betting scandal, the federation said 17 players and Mr Colombo

The federation and judiciar yare also investigating the alleged fixing fixing the second division results. At many the matches on which the federation based their main findings were played in December, 1979, and January this year. They were Avellino v Perugia and Milan v Lazio.—Reuter.

Nottingham Forest must have smiled at the outcome, for Real, in their own famous stadium,

Yesterday's results ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Cup instance 199: Abrinchem 2, Noeth-rich Victoria 1. League: Reddiich G, iravasana 2. SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland divi sion; Corby 2. Cambridge City 1: Witney Town 1. Tauton 3. Southern ury 1. Hastings O.

with nonchalance.

Der HSV im Europacup finale
was emplanoned yesterday in the
morning papers. No translation
was needed. Nor is there any need

to elaborate on Keegan's achieve-ments since he went to Germany. Twice European Footballer of the Year, he has now taken Hamburg into maknown territory on the highest of European mountains.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Burnham Indsor and Bion 3. Postponed: G Philetic v Chartsey Town

Hutchins is getting some useful guidance a 6-3, 3-6, 7-5 win over that talented left-hander, John White-ford. In the third set Whiteford came back from 3-5 down, saving three match points on his own service at 4-5. But he lost a fiebreak after having advanced to a 5-4 lead with two services to come.

By Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent
The Peruod Trophy tennis tournament at Teddington is providing
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nament at Teddington is providing useful guidance for Paul Hutchins, Britain's team manager. He has at least one vacancy to fill in Britain's team for the Davis Cup the against Romania on grass courts at Bristol from June 13 to 15. Christopher Mottram must be an automatic choice. Faute de mieux, a second place will almost certainly go to the sitting tenant, John Lloyd, in spire of his currently modest form. The same applies to David Lloyd aged 32, who advances from the wings to the centre of the stage only, these days, as a doubles player. His former partner, Mark Cox, has withdrawn from active service to organize the team's traiting and practice and advise them on strategy. In short, the team who reached the 1978 Davis Cup final no longer amount to much as a collective force. much as a collective force.

Two men with brief Davis Cup records have reached the semiminal round of the singles at Teddington. They are Richard Lewis, aged 25, and John Feaver, 28, who are good players to have around when the game must be played on grass. Lewis's next opponent will be another contender, Robin Drysdale, 27. Feaver will play Charlie Fancutt, son of the formerly familiar Trevor Fancutt and Daphne Seedey. Others in the reckoming

Seeney. Others in the reckoning must be Andrew Jarratt, 22, who did not play at Teddington, and Jonathan Smith, 25, who yesterday lost an interesting match with Lewis. In retrospect, if not at the time, Lewis and Smith must be grateful for the benefits of a rigorous exercise in match play that lasted for three hours and five minutes.

Both recently resumed competition after injury. They needed the work and, considering all the circumstances, each can be encouraged if not satisfied with the way fee played. These are big, thoughtful men. Their heads were often bowed in the intensity of their concentration. During changeovers smith drooped his head and shoulders in an orange towel, shutting out the world while, he brooded on what was happening and why. brooded on what was happening and why.

What happened eventually was that Lewis won 1—6, 7—6, 7—6, after having saved two match points when serving at 2—5 down in the third set. He had also come close to defeat in the second set, in which he led 5—2 but had two break points against him at 5—5 and was taken to a tie-break.

There were two fundamental contrasts, one in technique and the other in character. Lewis had the heavier shots but was more erratic, especially on the backhand. Smith was neatly compact in all he did and had no obvious weakness — nor any shot that

in all he did and had no obvious weakness — nor any shot that could do much damage. Just as important was the fact that Lewis grew in authority the longer he was on court, whereas Smith tended to be tentative at those fleeting moments when opportunity beckoned most brightly. It seemed a pity that either man had to lose after having given so much.

for misconduct. We must assume from this that there are many unduly long-suffering umpires who value their status in the chair more than their self-respect.

The last four women are Jennifer Walker (Australia) v Deborah Jevans (Britain) and Caroline Franch (France) v Cynthia Doerner (Anstralia). The first two won in straight sets. Miss Franch, aged 19, is a well groomed, long-legged Parisierme playing her first year of full-time tennis. Throughout this five-week circuit she will be nipping home at weekends to play in the Franch inter-club competition, which could become an awkward clash of interests if she insists on reaching the later rounds of the Pernod circuit.

MEM'S SINGLES: Quarter-final round: J. Feaver (Bondless (Australia) 6-3, G-5; R. Dyndig (Esser) beat D. Schneider (Sala). 7-6, G-4 (Franchi Australia) 1. Schneider (Sala). The self-could self-co to lose after having given so much.

Drysdale came back from 2—4 down in the first set to confound the world rankings by heating David Schneider 7—6, 6—4. Feaver won 6—3, 6—3 assinst Dale Collings, who had two points for a 4—1 lead in the second set but scored only seven more points in the match. Fancutt had

Rackets

Nicholls brothers go through to play holders By Roy McKelvie

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Rackets Corvespondent
The Nicholls brothers, Mark and
Paul, were too severe for Geoffrey
Atkins and David Jenkins in the
amateur rackets doubles championchip at Queen's Club yesterday.
They won by 0—15. 15—2, 15—4,
16—18, 15—8, 15—6 and will now
meet the holders, Howard Angus
and Andrew Mine in the semifinal round tomorrow.

The maich did not warm up
until the third game and then,
unless the Nicholls made a real
tash of it (they can be erraric),
it was fairly clear which way it
was gong. The brothers, having
made a most istauspicious start,
settled down in the second game,
when Paul Nicholls with a run
of 12 took his side to 14—0
Mark Nicholls gave his side a
good lead at the start of the fourth
game and they were later ahead
11—7. There a few shots went
astray and Atkins, as calm and
steady as always, punished the
brothers for it. Askins and Jenkins
reached 13—11. Mark Nicholls
then produced three aces but the
brothers' tendency to hit down
at crucial moments, born of being
in too mach of a hurry, cost them
the chance of a 3—1 lead. Atkins 5—4 lead with two services to come.

This match was also remarkable for its bad language. Someone suggested that this was a "satellite circuit" with grand prix terminology. The odd thing is that so far only one player—from overseas—has been reported to the referee for misconduct. We must assume from this that there are many unduly long-suffering imprires who in too much of a hurry, cost them the chance of a 3—1 lead. Atkins saw to that.

Charles Hue Williams and John had guite a battle with

Charles Hue Williams and John Preun had quite a battle with Peter Seabrook and Robert Sutton, whom they beat by 15—9, 15—12, 15—3, 12—15, 17—14. The losers proved more stubborn than expected, and Seabrook in particular made few unforced errors. The winners now meet William Boone and Randall Crawley in the other semi-final.

From crease to office: Alan Burridge epitome of cricket administrator

How the new man at Lord's views his work

By Richard Streeton Alan Burridge, the new Middlesex secretary, is the epitome of the modern cricket administrator who has become so essential to the county clubs since they finally accepted they were businesses and had to be run as ousnesses and nad to be run as such. The secretary's role has seldom been, the comfortable niche for retired Service officers, that the popular view has often imagined. They have usually been the hardest worked, least known people in cricket.

people in cricket.

In Mr Burridge Middlesex have an official with the requisite commercial and sporting background; he happens, as well, to have a better playing record as a cricketer than most in the job. He is one of only two Minor Counties cricketers, for instance, to have won a Gilleme Cup man of the match award and a Benson and Hedges Cup gold award. More relevant to his new post, he has a professional working knowledge of modern leisure and recreational activities in other spheres. It adds up to a formidable list of attributes that should help him enormously as he takes over from Arthur Flower, who is retiring after 34 years' dedicated service to Middlesex cricket.

Mr Burridge, who is 43. comes people in cricket. mr Burridge, who is 43. comes to Lord's from Watford borough explains why attendances at cricket have dropped." Mr typically. cumbersome local government title of amenities and recreation manager. He and his county clubs that those schoolboys



Alan Burridge: a fine playing record as well

department were responsible for, amon gother things, parks, leisure centres, emeraninment and sports facilities. All these subjects have a relationship to county cricket, with lessons to be learned for its administrators. The rapid growth of local sports centres is an example. It has played a part in affecting attendances. People tend to participate roday rather than to participate today rather than watch.

who want to play cricket are given every opportunity to do so and to develop. Similarly, the club game has got to be encouraged. From the county club's point of view, anyone with the potential polar for the county fies for the to play for the county bas got to be spotted and to be given his "The entire pattern is changing.

Obviously, in my first year or so, I will be learning my new role, but I think it fair to say that but I think it tair to say that everybody in cricket is looking closely at every part of the game's existing structure, whother the balance between the one-day and the three-day game is right, and so on. Meanwhile, we must organize it properly at all levels; make sure the coaching is done; introduce every fund-raising scheme possible with modern opportunities. To oversee this and introduce every fund-raising scheme possible with modern opportunities. To oversee this and make sure the club operates efficiently—that is my role."

Older MCC and Middlesex members may remember Mr Burridge's father. Fred Burridge, a left-handed all-rounder who bowled medium-fast and was on the Lord's ground staff before he went to play in various leagues in Lancasbire and the north-east. The Burridges were originally a The Burridges were originally a Shoreditch family but moved to Sunderland when the father was appointed groundsman at Roker Park, home of Sunderland FC. Alan Burridge's ability as a forceful left banded barman took him into the Durham side in 1961 and he played for them until

1973, when he had two seasons with Lincolnshire. Since 1975 he has represented Hertfordshire. At different times after ustlonal service with the RAF he was a salesman for a publisher of educational hooks; a student as well as a lecturer in physical education; he worked two years in a bank; he was deputy director at Newark of one of the first sports centres; and he has been a teacher at Enfield Grammer School.

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In 1973 he was in the Minor Counties XI that played the West Indians in a three-day game at Torquay. His two special match awards came within five weeks of each other in 1972: he made 76 for Minor Counties North against Derbyshire at Derby in the Benson and 95 for Durham against Oxfordshire at Cowley in the Gillette. He was a member of the Hertfordshire team that gained a famous Gillette win at Hitchin against Essex in 1976. As a young man he played centre forward for Gateshead shortly after they lost their place in the fourth division.

Let Burridge's duties as Middlesex secretary will clearly limit his own cricker in the fitting, with the occasional game of gold, or squash likely to take its place. At the moment he is recovering from squash likely to take its place. At the moment he is recovering from a coach crash near Milan in February during a skiling holiday, when he suffered depressed fractures of several facial bones and had to have two operations. But it has not stopped him planning for his new responsibilities.

Athletics

Women attempt to convince IOC

Women from 30 countries are to compete in Loudon's first Round-the-streets marathon. The 500 competitors, and organizers of the Avon Cosmetics International Marathon, hope that the event, to be staged on August 3, will convince the International Olympic Committee that the women's marathon should be included in future games.

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The race, starting at Battersea Park, will follow maduly a northern Thames side route, fluishing at the Guildhali in the City of London after taking in a circular tour of East London's like of Dogs.

The race, will be televised by BBC and American NBC and follows the pattern of established marthons, such as those held in Boston and New York.

Marea Hartman, secretary of the Women's AA and a delegate to the IAAS, welcomed the decision by Avon to stage; the marathon in London. She said: "The race is particularly important, because there is no Olympic marathon for women. I befleve the eyes of the stilledics world will be focused on what should be a classic race."

Miss Hartman added, in a callfor the IOC to accept women's marathon running, that there was a ceneral acceptance by doctors.

marathon running, that there was a general acceptance by doctors now, that women, properly trained, were physically more suited to long distance running than men.

Britain leave it late Britain scored three times in he final minute to beat Finland roo in the basketball inter-national at Torquay last night.

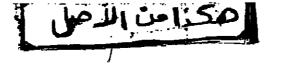
94-88 in the basketball

Cycling Irishman sprints second win

Cullera, Spain, April 24.—Sean Kelly, the 24-year-old Tipperary road racer, out-sprinted a top European field to record mis-second successive win in the Tour of Spain cycling race today. Kelly, a farmer's son from Carrick-on-Sulr, produced a burst of speed on the run in to the second stage from Benidorm to Cullera He completed the 108 miles ride in 5hr 10min 42sec and thrust his bike across the finishing line just aheat of the field which included the Italian, Roberto Viscotini, winne of the prologue stage, and the tour's overall leader by a meri two seconds from the Irishman. This second stage of the grueling event, which skirted the Spanish city of Valencia, was turn at slow pace because of the hear. The riders arrived in Cullera 4.

minutes behind schedule. The Nev Zealander, Paul Jesson, kept hii hopes of causing an upser aliviwhen he finished in the middle of the pack. He remains in fourd place.

SECOND STAGE: 100 miles from Bendorm to Cultera 1. S. Kölly (Italiana 1. S. Kölly (Itali



allesteros does his own people oud but Pinero takes lead

riano Ballesreros is back his own people and he did proud today. His 68 at de Hierro was not toe score—a compatrior, Pinero, went one better,

mpie, but he showed then is in form and that he is playing well inside is well as nutside it. ne end of the day Spaniards the first three places in a nent which only two have ever won. Leading tish confingent on 70, three behind the leader, were and king

and King. had roped the course in honour, not in of thousands but the hundreds they are ig by the end of the week

The two or three hundred who followed him today were true afficionados, but after Ballesteros had scored a birdie on the first green from 20ft it seemed as though they were expecting him to do the same at every other hole. For a time there seemed no reason why he should not; he nearly holed again on the 11th, his second hole, played a dream of a hunker shot from the shallow lin right across the green at the 12th, and found the 10-yard gap between bunkers guarding the 13th green with his driver.

He kept us entertained with a variety of wonderful shots but he was not there to give us a firework display but to win his first major tournament in his own

major tournament in his own country. His record on this course is good, for he has finished third is good, for he has finished third and ninth in the past two years, his lowest round being 66, but hitherto he has always been fight-ing fatigue. It was reassuring to see him driving so well—he finished with a vast one, straight

any 40 yards anead or Baloccii, but the South African, although outgunned, was not outclassed, and at one hule, although left far behind off the tee, scored the odly birdie of the three. Lyle for a time looked as though he was going to get into a matchplay situation with Ballesteros, twice taking three from the edge in the early stages. He was in danger of doing so again but saved his par with a long putt and shook off the passing mood. His second dine was erratic—he took three putts for a six at a long hole and dropped two at the short sixth—but he holed out of a bunker for an eagle at the fifth and finished with two birdies.

Pinero had much the same kind of round he had once in Rome last week, filled with putts of such a length that he preferred to express them in metres. The longest was about 40ft, there was one of 30ft to save par, and two By Michael Phillips
Grundy and Star Appeal, two of
the stallions currently standing on
the National Stud near Newmarket,
can afford to hold their heads
sligh. Their first crops are now
three-year-ulds and yesterday
members of those crops won the
two principal races at Epsom, the
Princess Elizabeth Stakes and the
Warren Stakes, Grundy's daughter,
Bay Street, booked her ticket back
to Epsom in June for the Oaks
when she stayed on strongly to
win the Princess Elizabeth Stakes
and record her sire's first success
in a group race. and record her sire's lirst success in a group race.

She may have been a trifle lucky to beat her stable companion, Missed Blessing, who changed her legs and hung on the camber only 100 yards from the line but the fact remains that she acted on the larget hards and the line but the fact remains that she acted on the line but the fact remains that she acted on the larget larget and did to the line but the same that the larget larget

down the funnel of the mith, and missed only two fairways, one of them the 18th, which ended hopes that a two-shot comparison between him and Lyle could be made at that 600-yard hole. Lyle Is longer than Ballesteros now, and long may it remain that way, for the last that the Spotiant with

we do not want the Spaniard, with his new control off the tee, to start a driving competition with him.

nim.

Eallesteros was occasionally 15 yards behind Lyle and occasionally 40 yards ahead of Baiocchi, but the South African, although

est was about 40ft, there was one of 30ft to save par, and two or three more of about 12ft. But good luck to him; these are not easy greens to read.

The advantages of being a hero in your own country (not universally so yet, but they are working on it) is that if your ball lands in the crowd it will get good treatment. Ballesteros, having hit his bunker shot thin at the eighth, was in trouble over the back of the green and scuttled the ball to the top of the bank, where it the green and scuttled the ball to the top of the bank, where it would probably have stayed; but on reaching the top he found the hall on the green. Innocent faces all round, and the kind of luck that has happened to hundreds before. He made inquiries but there was nothing he could do about it, so he capitalized on it by holing from 181t for his par. SCORES: 67: M. Pinero (Spain: 98: 5. Ballesteras: (Spain: 70: N. Prices: (Spain: 71: M. Rivero (Spain: 98: 7. Abreu. (Spain: 71: M. Rivero (Spain: N. Frido (GB: M. Montes: (Spain: N. Frido: Mason (GB: M. Manphreys: (GB: C. Mason (GB: M. H. Balocchi (South Africa: N. Burch (GB:



who went one stroke better than Ballesteros yesterday

Racing

New team event for top jockeys

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent
It was announced at Epsom yesterday that Chivas Regal are to sponsor the first international team competition in the United Kingdom between the top juckeys of Britain and the United States. It is hoped that the match, which will take place at Sandown Park on October 22 for the Chivas Regal Trophy, will become annual instead of a one-off affair, although for the time being the Jockey Club have sanctioned only the first. They want to see how it develops.

The match will feature the top five jockeys in Britain and

The march will restrict the top five jockeys in Britain and America. The teams will each compete in three consecutive races over five furlongs, a mile, and a mile and three-quarters. All three races will be limited bandicaps, with a 21lib weight range from 8st 7lb to 10st, with qualification ratings being advertised

track whereas the runner-up did not. Adaptability is often the name of the game. Under strong driving from Lester Piggott, Bay

driving from Lester Piggott, Bay Street ran on strongly to snatch the spoils when only a second or rwo earlier, all scemed lost. . Star Appeal may have been dis-missed as something of a joke horse after he had won the Arc de Triomphe and the Eclipse Stakes, somewhat surprisingly, in 1975 but the fact remains that his runners have done well from

runners have done well from limited opportunities and I know that his son, Try Sandicliffe, is thought capable of going ou to even better things by his trainer,

Yesterday Try Sandicliffe galloped on really strongly to put Major Gundry and Paradise Bay firmly in their place. Afterwards Hills was understandably elated at

the outcome—I say understandably simply because his winner is

Barry Hills.

each race and, in addition, £300 appearance money for each of the 10 runners, with £350 for the two chosen reserves. As all the races will be handicups, it is hoped that the matching will be as even as possible. The pockeys and their mounts will be decided by a hallot supervised by the Jockey Club the previous Saturday.

Club the previous Saturday.

It has already been decided that the home team will comprise Joc Mercer, the current champion jockey; Lester Piggott. Pat Eddery, Willie Carson (all former champions) and Brian Taylor. The former jockey and current commentator. Jimmy Lindley, will manage the Eritish team. The American team will consist of Steve Cauthen and Willie Shoemaker, who are well known here already, and Jorge Velazquez, Angel Cordero and Laffit Pincay.

towards the teams' points total.

The jockey winning each race will carn 10 points for his team, with nine going to the second and eight to the third, continuing to the last in the same ratio. The winners of the trophy will be the team with the largest aggregate of points and will be rewarded to the tune of £100 per point. The sponsors said that whereas there are long established international team competitions in other sports such as the Ryder Cup, there was none in racing, and they felt it was high time that that hole was plugged. We can only hope that our team are more successful than those in mady other spheres.

This novel event has been the

This novel event has been the result of more than a year's intensive negotiations involving Chivas Regal, Tim Neligan,

At Sandown Park today Hills

and his stable jockey. Steve

Cauthen, should begin where they left off yesterday by winning the Juvenile Fillies Stakes with

managing director of United Racecourses, under whose financial umbrella Sandown shelters, and the stewards of the Jockey Club, who have agreed to modify certain rules to enable it to take place. Yesterday Nellgan paid tribute to the Jockey Club. "I could not be more grateful to them." he said.

This fits in with the belief that the stewards are determined to see racing promoted as a spectator sport. Critics of the promotion will point out that apart from Cauthen and Shoamaker the American team will have little or no experience of racing around a right-handed course. They go left handed in the United States, and will not be allowed to ride at Sandown the previous day. However, I believe they will adapt to the situation if they are only half as good as their reputations would have us believe, just as their golfers do whenever they grace our links.

Bay Street runs on to book return ticket to Epsom to have fathomed his right distance. Last season Brittain ran
Laska Floko over distances
ranging from a mile to a mile
and a half. By Thatch, who was a
miler at the outside (he did win
the July Cup over six furlongs)
and out of a mare by Alcide
who was a stayer, Laska Floko has
a pedigree which falls between
two stalls, in the circumstances
10 furlongs, which is the distance
of today's race, would seem to of today's race, would seem to

of today's race, would seem to be his ideal
Piggott, who rides Ringgit, arguably Laska Floko's most dangerous rival, has a better chance of winning the Tudor Stakes on Prince Judger who has taken our Newmarket correspondent's eye time and time again this spring. Prince Judger is trained by Michael Stoute and I know he has been pleased at the way that this American-hred colt has been going on the Heath recently. In spite of the fact that Prince Judger has never run he should still prove too good for both Brilliant Fellow and One Fleet Street.

Street. French invasion: Nureyey, the hot favourite for the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on May 3. Guineas at Newmarket on May 3, will be flown to England next Wednesday. Desmond Stoneham writes. The colt will leave Beauvais airport on board a private charter and will be shipped to Cambridge before being driven to the Suffolk racecourse. Firyal, Pom Poes and Dellear, who all contest the 1000 Guineas on May contest the 1,000 Guineas on May 1, will have already taken the same route a day earlier. They will be accompanied by Wild Oats, who comests the Jockey Club Stakes next Thursday. Wild Oats finished second to Obratszovy in the same event last year.

3.35 GUILDFORD STAKES (Handicap: 1m 6f: £1,830)

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5-2 Noble Hetr. 4-1 Shanb. 11-2 La Piccolina. 6-1 Tru Mer. 8-1 Abielte. Popsi's Joy. 10-1 Jondi, 12-1 Quite Right, 20-1 others. 4.10 APRIL STAKES (3-y-o maiden'fillies: 1m 2f; £2,530)

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3- Baridi (M. Wickham-Boynton), H. Cont. 8-11
33- Busic Sound (Mrs. J. Hindley), J. Handley, R.11
50- Busic Sound (Mrs. J. Hindley), J. Handley, R.11
6-0 Cholke Valley (Mrs. R. Kennard), W. Wightman, 8-

4.45 ATHLONE STAKES (Handicap: 3-y-o: 5f: £2,285)

601 12300-0 Sir Samuel (D) (Dr G. Norman-Williams), S. Woodman.

11-4 Sarigue, 7-2 Copper Beeches, 9-2 Charles Sircet, 6-1 Earmark, 8-1 Chicquot, 10-1 Saryaf, 12-1 Sir Samuel, Manilow, 16-1 others,

1. 00 Running Jump | Mrs P. Rossi, J. W. Waits, 8-10-0 E. Hide 8 2 100000- Paducah (D) (C. H. Newlon lun, Ltd., T. Falthurst, 4-4-9 2 340200- Mountain Gorge (D) /R. Johnston: T. Barnes, 1,0-9 Mountain Gorge (D) /R. Johnston: T. Barnes (D)

3 340200- Mountain Gorge (D) (R. Johnston), T. Rarnes, 4-5-9
4 02233-1
5 3300-00 Sim Deep (C Zawania, A Johnston), 7-1-5 ... T. Rogers 1
6 1132-00 Gibbon (N Nuttail), M. W. Easterby 1-9-2 ... T. Lucas 15
7 023024- Redenbar (O) (Vrs. W. Richardson), W. A. Stephenson, 8
8 003200- Cumaock Scouse (CD), (J. Forguson), G. Richards, 7-8-12
9 1022-21 Carpet General (CD) (R. Speechley), T. Molony, 4-8-12
1 Carpet General (CD) (Mrs. J. Jackson), J. Bingham, 6-R-11
1 E. Warshall S.

10 00- Reppin Castle (D) (MTS J. Johnson, E. Marshall A 11 44200-0 Miss Cindy (D) (S. Strubel), J. Etherington, 5-8-11 J. Scargave 15

20 0200-100 Weish Piper (D) 17. Kenny A. Scott. 5-7-7 K. Leason A. 100-50 Oveen's Pride. 4-2 Carpet General, 5-1 Gibbon, 6-1 Miss Cindy. 8-1. Paducah, 12-1 Miss Mirabelle, 14-1 Running Jump, Cumnock Scottee, 16-1 others.

2.30 Copper Tinsell. 3.0 "C" Top. 3.30 Navigational Aid. 4.0 Cleat. 4.30 CARPET GENERAL is specially recommended. 5.0 Another Generation.

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King Hussier (A. Clogn), P. Colc. 3-8-10, G. Starkey, R. Richards, G. Starkey, G. S. Region (G. Barter, R. Clogn), P. Colc. 3-8-10, G. Berter, G. Starkey, G. S. Region (G. S. Region)

King Hustler (A. Ciogn), P. Cole, 5-8-10 G. Starkey 12
Rag Dancer (Mrs M. Ficcher), W. Elsey, 5-8-10 M. Wigham
Atlantic Traveller (C. Colding, J. W. Wigham 1
Carouser (G. Reed), C. Thornton 5-8-5 G. Weish
Ceconi (R. McAirline), J. White, 5-8-5 G. Weish
Credit Centre (T. Yong), Msdrix, 5-8-5 M. Raymond
Glenvera (Li-Col R. Taylor), R. Pracock, 5-8-5 J. Lowe
Seisdon Park (Captain M. Lemos), C. Britain, 5-8-5

12 302110- Miss Mirabelle (D) (Lord Walpole), G. P.-Gorden, VI. Sin

4.30 OTTERBURN HANDICAP (£1,777 : 7f)

5.0 HENSHAW STAKES (£1,333 : 11m 60yd)

Q. Afternoon Dollight (Mrs R. Smith), M. Francis, 8-11

Chafte Valley (Mrs. R. Kennard), W. Wigalman, R. J.

Fumarella (Dr. J. Sahagun), R. Smyth, K. J. ... I Jenkinson, High Gait, D. Kingslev, R. Houghion, R. L. J. Feld Ralyana (A. Perry), D. Wholen, R. L. ... M. I. Thomas Mesnil Warren (E. Lambion), W. McIden, H. J. G. Sexton Miss Hippolyta (Mr. F. Osaky), G. Falding, R. L. R. W. Caver Mrs. Mullon (M. Fine), P. Kelieway, G. J. P. Verng, Pearl of Price (Dr. A. Bernoschi), A. Hide, R. L. P. Vandron Ribol Fair (Mrs. D. Lusty), P. Cole R. L. L. W. Vallham Saile Skerry, A. Siruihefts, J. Dunlon, G. L. W. Varsen, J. Tongaroa (V. O'Donoghue, A. Jengaro, H. J. G. Ramshaw i Vouchessa (R. Richmond-Watson), B. Hobbs, R. L. P. Cool. Mater. Dance (V. Galbreath, J. Baiding, M. J. J. Maithias Bulosky (W. Hudson Ge Lid), A. Rryadey, R. T. B. Elder Caractoler's Girl (W. Carl), P. Walwon, M. T. P. Eddery, Caractoler's Girl (W. Carl), P. Walwon, M. T. P. Meddery, Ock, G. P. Rugle Sound, 11-2 Waler Dance, G. I. Vouchessa, T. Ock, G. P. Rugle Sound, 11-2 Waler Dance, G. I. Vouchessa, T.

Sarjaus (D) -W. P. Savary P. Walwyn, R-1 ... P. Eddery J. Liner Eclipse (D) -W. Tanimolo ... J. Winter, R-2 J. Higams 15 ... Mindblowing (D) - M. Tanimolo ... J. Winter, R-3 J. Higams 15 ... Mindblowing (D) - Martin ... J. Reid 12 ... Mariow (D) - A Leader ... L. Reid 12 ... Mariow (D) - A Leader ... L. Reid 12 ... Mindblowing ... Mariow ... J. Reid 12 ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... J. Reid 12 ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... J. Willis ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... Mariow ... J. L. Tonias ... J. Willis ... Mariow ... J. J. Satchiffe ... T. R. McClore ... Mariow ... Mariow ... Mariow ... J. Satchiffe ... T. R. Mills ... Mariow ... J. Reid ... Mariow ... J. Reid ... Mariow .

Navigational Aid should find his way home

By Michael Seely
Navigational Aid can give Bill
Watts his first success in this
afternoon's most valuable race at
Newastle, the £12,500 XYZ
Handicap. Edward Hide, a jockey
in form, will be on board Major
John Shaw's home-bred threeyear-old who has won his first
two races this season, at Ayr and
Ripon.
This is always a tough race to
win. It often falls to well-bred
coits who were lightly-raced as
two-year-olds. Mount Athos, who
went on to finish third to Sir
fvor in the 1958 Derby, was a
typical exemple. The two who
might come into this category are
Into Action and Conan Doyle.
Into Action cost \$370,000 as a
two-year-old, Jeremy Hindley gave
the American colt only one race
last season when he beat North
by a neck at Newmarket. This
form is not working out too well,
but Into Action won with somethine in hand and is sure to

by a neck at Newmarket. This form is not working out too well, but Into Action won with something in hand and is sure to improve.

Conan Doyle hails from the stable of Paul Cole. An expensive purchase as a yearling, the Derring-Do colt has not been seen out since winning at York's July meeting. Previously Conan Doyle had finished a close fourth to Marathon Gold in the Fenwolf Stakes at Ascot. Of the others with form this season Fine Sun ran well when third to Good information at Thirsk. However, in an open race Navigational Aid is sure to give his backers a good run for their money.

The Henshaw Stakes is another competitive race. Cole runs his Warwick winner, King Hustler, and Jimmy FitzGerald his useful hurdler, Brave Fellow, who won his first race on the Flat on this track recently.

Bill Elsey's Rag Dancer, who

track recently.

Bill Elsey's Rag Dancer, who created a 25 to 1 surprise when successful at Nortingham this month, ran a stout-hearted race when runner-up to Sacrilege, at Ripon. Credit Centre was noted finishing well when third to Right Diamond at Leicester. But Another Generation, the conqueror of Brave Reef, at Kempton, is the choice to give Cluy Harwand his Brave Reef, at Kempton, is the choice to give Guy Harmood his eighth victory of the season.

At Pontefract yesterday John Winter and Brian Taylor had their first successes of 1980 when John O'Groats made most of the running in the first qualifier of the Webster's Pennine Mile Cham-

pionship.
Hide went to the head of the jockeys' table when partnering Westacombe to a comfortable vic-

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against Giovanni Came Italian champion, and
lwen, the "skeleton"
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la Macgregor Morris

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ented. The home side, then restricted because ite of the international cludes Jennie Loriston-ho won a bronze medal orld championship here; ago, Sarah Whitmore, son, and Tanya Larrigan. crmediare this afternoon

crmediare this afternoon together the grand prix ho will compete in the went on Saturday afterfile 12 best performers the Grand Prix Special y-morming. Cindy Neale lada returns to defend on Martyr and Equus, my Bonnello, and West S leading professional,

s leading professional, leodorescu, takes on six th riders and Denmark's

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prix team.

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for

British title bout. So there should be quite a few Italians, and a lot of Welshmen, adding to the tour-

of Weistmen, adding to the tourist crush.

There will be no live or

"delayed" British television. The
show will be televised live by
ABC to Europe, and North and
South America. All this American
television interest means "a very
substantial" amount of money for Las Vegas to go down.

te Sugar Ray Leonard link-up on the big off, the date shift and the last office the las probably take it up before meet-

States.
The Anglo-Italian flavour in London lasts until July 12, when Maurice Hope defends his world eight champion, defends against Giovanni Camel Italian champion, and light-middleweight title against Recco Mattioli, the Italian-born whom he took the titles against eeney, from Hartlepool, could be yet another.

Maurice Hope defends his world against edition of the middleweight title against the title. The winner will have took the titles the winner will have contained by the more carlos Herrera, of Argentina, within 60 days, the World Boxing Council have ruled.

Mountjoy puts

Doug Mountjoy reached the last 16 of the World professional rhampionship, sponsored by Embassy, in Sheffield on Wednesday night by beating Cliff Wilson 10-6 in an all-Welsh first round match. Mountjoy, the Welsh professional champion, trailed 4-1 at one stage, but a winning burst of nine frames out of 11 eventually took him to a convincing victory. He also recorded a break of 104, only the second century of the champion-ships.

ships.

Jim Wyach (Canada) reached the second round by beating John Pulman 10-5 and last night the world champion. Terry Griffiths, made his first appearance against Steve Davis in a second round match while Alex Higgins met the South African, Perrie Mans.

While Thorne (Leicester) led the Canadian. Bill Werbeniuk, 5-4 after winning the last two frames of the first session yesterday. He made a break of 97 in the minth frame.

the ninth frame.

Kirk Stevens, Canada's 21-yearold World Cup player, soon converted his 9-3 overnight lead into
victory over Graham Miles in their
first round meeting. Stevens made
breaks of 34 and 32 in scoring a
10-3 win in the only frame necessary vesterday. His next cononent

Snooker

in run of

nine frames

For the record

Tennis LAS VEGAS: Alan King fournament Results full unless stated: V. Gertalistis bas: T. Gullisson, 6-0, 6-7, 6-1; I. Lendi (Czechosiovakia: bas: P. Dupre, 5-6, 6-5, 7-6; B. Teacher bas: V. Noah (France: 6-1, 1-2); H. Solomon bas: R. Luiz, 2-6, 1-1; H. Solomon bas: R. Luiz, 2-6, 1-6, 1-6; H. Solomon bas: R. Luiz, 2-6, 1-6; H. Solomon bas: R. Luiz, 2-6, 1-6; H. Solomon bas: R. Luiz, 2-6, 1-6; H. Solomon b

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AMERICAN LEAGUE: California Angels 17, Minnesota Twins 0: Cleves land Indians 7, Mipwatkee Brewers 5: New York Yankees 6, Baitmore Oriotes 5: Destroit Tigers 5, Texas Rangers 4: Kanses Chy Royals 7, Toronto Blue Jays 4: Cakiand Analetes 5, Seattle Moston Red Sox (positioned, rain. MATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreal Expos 3, Pilisburgh Pirales 1: MI

Basketball

Hockey

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: Eastern Conference championship: Philadelphila 76-ers 19. Boston Celuica 97 170-ers lead best of seven series 2—1. West-ern Conference championship Los Angeles Lakms 10 8.5emile Super-sonics 99 (series leval 1—1).

Dutch corners

may prove

troublesome

By Joyce Whitehead



Results at Epsom

20 (22) WESTMINSTER STAKES
(29-0 Oilles: 54; £2,051)

MEAVENLY VAILEY. b f, by Steel

Heart—Foral (C. Hughesdom)

B-11 ... M. L. Thomas (3-4 fav. 1

Lade Empress ... K. Leagon (3-1) 2

Yambour ... G. Staffey (10-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 Pipporotis 20-1

Theo's Baby (11h. 26-1 Gaythorn.

TOTE: Win. 25p; places, 16p, 28p;
thal (orecast. 36p; CSF. 75p.

SELSSOC 21, SI, B, Switt, at Epsom.

By Joyce Whitehead
Great Britain women's team, in Germany for a three-day quandrangular tournament, play the Netherlands at the National Hockey Centre, Cologne, today and Ireland meet West Germany. The Netherlands, current world champions, were beaten 2—1 by England three weeks ago. However Great Britain though including the best players in the home countries, get very little match play and today's game will be the first for the party selected at the end of March.

It will be at corners in the 110yd: £10.222;

BAY STREET: b f. by Grundy—
Gidding (Overnic Lid) 9-9

Missed Elecating L. Piggott 111-4; 1

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ALSO RAN: 9-3 million 121-1; 3

ALSO RAN: 9-4 million 121-1; 3

ALSO RAN: 9-5 million 121-1; 3

TOTE: Win. 51: places; 14p: p. 1

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Total distribution 2 million 2 million 3 mil

first for the party selected at the end of March.

It will be at corners in the Netherlands' favour that trouble may arise, If the Dutch set piece works it can be undefendable, so accurate is the initial hit and hand stop, and so bard and ruthless the shot at goal. But if Great Britain can keep out of trouble in their defending circle, goals at the other end are a distinct possibility.

The inclusion In the Great Britain party of Barbara Holden (Northamptonshire) has deprived England under-23 of one of their best half backs for their two matches this weekend in Southampton against a young West German team. Her place will be taken by Susan Corley (Gloucestershire). Lesley Ashton (Cheshire) is not available

Chelmsford, in Leningrad, and Penarth, in Vienna, have qualified as two of the eight teams to compete in the final rounds of the European clubs championship in Barcelona over the Whitsuntide among others, who will
2 performances in terms
2 esthetic appeal—a novel
2 beholder, but one which
2 be less controversial than
3 the decisions arrived at
3 conventional system of
3 this dicipline of schism.

10-3 win in the nnly frame necessary
will be John Spencer, three times
champion, in a 25-frame match
starting today.

RESULTS: First round: D. Taylor
horpasi. 7-2: W. Thorpasi. 1-2: W. Thorpasi. 7-2: W. Thorpasi. 7-2:



2.30, 2.41: CROWN PLUS TWO
APPRINTICE CHAMPIONSHIP
STAKES (Handscap: Round 3: 71
Ligd: 12:313)
R. J. WALLIS, b. g. by David
Jack—Josuelind (A. Spence: 7-4
M. Saunders: 133-1: 1

Jack—Josuelind (A. Spence), 7-4
Inside Quarter R. Sidebottom (11-2) 2
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ALSO RAN: 4-1 in Down (11-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 in The Control Boy (12-1)
10-1 Prince of Spaint Boy (12-1)
10-1 Prince of Spaint Boy (12-1)
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Virginia, Charl, Record Bresker, STTouch Pirate, Hazard Chase, Sparian
Cail, Belle Vuo, 19 ran, Non runner,
Spiendid Summer, 19 ran, Non runn 5.5 (3.9) PRINCESS ELIZABETH STAKES (Group 3; 3-y-o filles; 1m 110yd; £10,222)

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TOTE: Win. 340: places, 18s. 51s.
29s. 68s; dual forecast, £3.17. C.SF:
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Breasley, et Epson. 4.10 (4.12) WARREN STAKES (3-y-0 1 10 14.12 WARREN STAKES (3-y-0; 1-yn; 124.409);
TRY SANDICLIFFE, ch c. by Star Appeal—Peral Five (Sandicliffe Motor Group), 8-12 Cauthen (9-4) 1
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40.15ec. 21. St. B. W. Hulls, at Lambourns.

4.45 (4.49) APRIL MANDICAP (5-y-0) fillies: Im 1109d; £2.4601.

MISS RAFFLES, br. 1. y Green God. Saint Mills. 1 Pact. 1. y Green God. Saint Mills. 2 Pact. 1. y Green God. 2 Pact. 2 Pact Taunton

Sandown Park programme

2.00 JUVENILE STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: 5f: £1,780)

One-way street: Bay Street (right) drives home to win the

At this moment, Hills thinks Sybaris. At Newmarket last week sufficiently highly of Try Sandiciently highly of Try Sandiciently highly tried Bold Wood but not by far. Indeed I would back Subaris at

sufficiently highly of Try Sandi-cliffe to say that he has already mapped out a programme for him that entails the Chester Vase at

Chester next month, followed by the King Edward VII Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Irish Derby.

Laska Floko should manage to win the Sandown Cup now that his trainer, Clive Brittain, seems

Princess Elizabeth Stakes from Missed Blessing

ard Woodhouse, in the guise of the

sendicliffe Motor Group of Lough-borough. As many a married man will gladly testify, it is always nice to keep the in-laws happily in tune.

Ashbritis (Mr. R. Kennard), W. Wighiman, R-11

Brassy (R. Sangsier), Thomson-Jones, 8-11 ..., P. Cook

La Borie (K. Butler & Co Lid., P. Mitchell, R-11 ..., J. Rold

Lady Westleigh (E. Clerk), R. Smyth, 8-11 ..., P. Waldron

La Glinette (Mr. S. Burley, J. Winter, 8-11 ..., B. Taylor

Quest (Ld Rotherwick), W. Hern, B-11 ..., W. Carson

Snoozy Time (W. Clarke), D. Thom. 8-11 ..., P. Eddery

Sperkler Bright (Sparkler Filters CB Lid., P. Ashworth, 8-11

B. Rouse

B. Rouse Sparkling Lady (B. Peskin), B. Swift, 8-11 . . M. 1. To Super Hostess (Miss A. Whitfield), R. Hannon, 8-11 13 2 Sybaris (R. Bonnytasiler, B. Hills, 8-11 S. Cauthen 3 7-4 Sybaris, 3-1 Quest, 9-2 Lady Westleigh, 7-1 La Glinettr, 10-1 Sparsling Lady, 12-1 Breasy, 14-1 Super Hostoss, 20-1 others.

2.30 TUDOR STAKES (3-y-o: 1m: £1,934) 205 0230- Affred Milner (Mrs S. Burley), J. Winter, 8-11 ... B. Taylor 9 206 02343-0 Another Sam (J. Norman), R. Hannon, 8-11 ... B. Pluse 5 217 000-000 Nassibs Prince (Wishtrend Lid), M. Haynes, R-11
218 0 One Fleet Stront (L. Freedman), P. Walwyn, 8-11 P. Ellweyn R
219 Prince Judger (S. Zilkhar, M. Stoute, R-11), L. Piggutt 18
220 Prince Jandro (Mrs. W. Solke), R. Houghton, R-11 J. Reid 13
220 September (J. Styles), A. Ingham, R-R., P. Langley 6
5-2 Prince Judger, 3-1 One Fleet Street, 9-2 Brilliam Fellow, 6-1 Alfred
Milner, R-1 Molon Lave, 10-1 Prince Sandro, 12-1 Another Sam, 20-1 others.

3.05 SANDOWN CUP (Handicap : 1m 2f : £3,739) 303 3002-01 Laska Floko (D) (Capl M. Lamos), C. Brittain, 1-9-1 9-9-1 304 040112 Ringeit (D) (U. Wijewardene), R. Armstrong, 1-8-1) 301 Dauli 2 Ringget (D) (C. Wijewarnene R. Armstrong, 1-X-11 305 433213- Wearmouth (CD) (T. Parlington), W. Wighiman, 1-8-7 3 Mercer ? 507 12040-0 Side Track (B) Mrs C. Bellairs J. G. P-Gordon, 4-8-5. Doffield 5. Doffield 5. Doffield 5. Doffield 5. Doffield 5. Doffield 5. Doffield 6. Doffield 6.

Sandown Park selections By Our Racing Correspondent

2.0 Sybaris. 2.30 Prince Judger, 3.5 Laska Floko. 3.35 Noble Heir. 4.10 Water Dance. 4.45 Sarigue. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.0 La Glinette. 2.30 Prince Judger, 3.5 Ringgit. 3.35 Abielle. 4.10 Baridi. 4.45 Anna Batic.

Newcastle programme

2.30 EARSDON HANDICAP (Apprentice : £1,041 : 1m)
1 100-00 After Shave (D) 1E. Collingwood . K. Stone. 4c

3 240000- Wahed Mrs J. Parki, Donys Smith, S. 20-5. M 2304- Show of Hands Mrs M. Hagest, J. Hindley, 3-5. 5 2333-00 Lunar Wind (Mrs M. Price), M. Naughton, 5-6-0 6 400-001 Hard Held (D) (Clyd-bridge Properties Limited), C. 8-8-10. 8 2401-02 Copper Tinzell (D) (Mrs A. Chambers), C. Thorn 9 00100-0 Lady Alinba (D) (Mrs D. Roberts), C. Thornton, 4-5-4.
D. Fairborn S
D. Fairborn S
10 0000-34 Spanish Handful (J. Rayner), T. Barron, 5-7-1.
N. Comporten
P. Srdowick S
P. Srdowick S 13 0000-3 Spanish Hanstut (J. Rayner), T. Barron, 8-7-17 P. Srdgwick 5 3 P. Srdgwick 5 3 P. Srdgwick 5 3 Ryan, 5-7-8 B. Crossley 3 3-1 Northern Magic, 4-1 Hard Held, 9-2 Copper Tinsell, 6-1 Shi 8-1 After Shave, 10-1 Spanish Handigi, 12-1 Wahed, 14-1 pthers.

3.0 RIDSDALE STAKES (Selling: 3-y-0: £837: 1m)

7-2 Navigational Aid. 11-2 Pine Sun. 5-1 Into Action, 7-1 Sambista. 8-1 Kahaila, 10-1 Wallwalls, Copen Doyle, 12-1 Greek Prince, 16-1 Cariton Hell.

4.0 BLANCHLAND MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (Maiden: 2-y-o: Fillies: £1,043: 5f) 13-8 Cleal 11-4 Attils the Hen. 9-2 Holdell, 7-1 Aunty May, 8-1 10-1 Saint Rose, 12-1 Others.

3.45 (3.40) WEBSTER'S PENNINE
MILE CHAMPIONSHIP Lt qualifier;
Ay-O: £1.550.
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4.0 B. Taylor 113.6 (cm.) 0.45 (2.47) SPRING MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-D: 5f; £741) WESTACOMBE, b or hr f by Huntorcombe—Ambiend (A. Westmorr-land), 8-11 ... Hide (4-5), 1 Little Atom ... P. Maddon (30-1), 2 Mekayla ... T. Rogers (7-1), 3 ALSO RAN: 7-2 Pitspolly, 12-1 Loquacity (44h; 16-1 Niksa, 20-1 Mutamy's Whister, 35-1 Pandit, Nor-therncovergiri, Victory Corner, 10 Ran, 70TE: Wan, 19p; places, 10p, 91p, 25p; dus! F. \$1, 42, CSF, \$1, 86, 41, 1'd. M. Camacho, at Tadcester. ALSO RAN: 13-2 Air de Danue, 13-1 Mount Parusasta, 14-1 Pipes, 16-1 Strathdearn (4th: 20-1 Frum Foundations, 25-1 Sovereign Tower, 33-1 Ambarus, Farriess Flight, High Loader, Just Whatton, Lifeable Fells, Wardsoff, Whatton A Word, Albada Rose, Galaxine, Horkey, 19 ran, NR Jack Rat, TOTE: Win, 20p; places, 10p, 11p, 21 50; dual foreast 32p, CSF; 58p, 5], 121. J. Winter, 4t Newmarket. 1'a. M. Camacho. at Tadcester.

3.15 :3.17) CORN MARKET HANDICAP (setting: 1'am; 2638)

BLACK PIRATE, bi c by Barbary
Pirate—Fire Fairy (D. Tucker).
3-8-0 ... R. Camant (6-1: 1
Miss Rowalt ... C. Dwyer (8-1: 2
Miss Mops ... M. Birch (11-1:)

ALSO RAN: 2-1 Some Cherry (1av).
9-1 Prank Stewart, 11-1 Phidem, 13-1
Sallaquine (2in- Longridge, 16-1
Loyal and Regal, 20-1 Jodik 19: 3-1
Tree Tops. As 1 Wish, Etworth.
Thagary, 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 36p: places, 11e, 18p,
35p, dusl F. 89p. SF: 25 20 B. 1 12.
R. Sturdy, at Salisbury Winner sold in Mr. G. H. Ratchiffe for 1,200 gns, 1.15 (4.18): BARBICAN HANDICAP TAMARIN FALLS ch. c Mount Hagen—Tapps Island Mrs J. D Mortas 1 4-9-4 P. Cook D Mortas I 4-9-9 P. Loop 113-2; Emaratd Emporor C. Dwyer (16-1) 2; Benerolence C. O. Gray (20-1) 3. ALSO RAN 11-4 Nurses (18-1) -2 Carvers Corst. 7-1 Ballacorcy. Robert Adam 14th 15-2 State Time 20-1 Ht Noom. Happy Worker Higham Grey. Welsh Fusilier, Sadebab. 15 ran.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Show of Hands. 3.30 Into Action. 4.0 Cleat. 4.30 Miss Mirabelle. 5.0 Credit Centre. 1. G. Munter, at East Isley.

1.47, BUTTERCROSS HANDICAP
1.52-20 off £1.806;

LADY SISTER, gr f, by Sarilamer—
Soft Chinool, Or C. NormanWilliams: 8-2 Colguboun: 14-2; 1

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Vana, 16-1 Calanacutter, 20-1 Safford
Supreme, 8 run.
2015. Walter Sop. places, 59p, 15p,
20p; dual f, 75p, CSF: £1.28, 51, 21-1.

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5.18 (15.18) ROPERGATE STAKES
12-y-0: 5f: £1.381;

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ALSO RAN. 12-1 T. J. Cunniffe.
20-1 Queen's Mercy, 25-1 Gally (41h),
Mend Your Ways. 5.3-1 Tudorving.
100-1 Col. c ran. NR: Hanover Lad.
TOTE: Win. (14p: places, 10p. 12p.
40p: dust f. 26p. C5f: 11p Sh Ind.
61. W O'Corman, at Newmarket,
PLACEPOT: Win. £7.60.

Newcastle selections

By Michael Seely



Hide: a jockey in form.



guire Yarrow (left), president of the Amateur Athletic lation, and the Marquess of Exeter at the unveiling of a plaque le Randolph Hotel, Oxford, yesterday to commemorate the nary of the AAA's inaugural meeting there.

By Michae: unless the to more go financial Peter Park his chairi railways w by year in ment's cas doing they death ware "The fri Rail is th

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Why each country should pay some of the real cost of its surplus farm products

One sure way of putting a stop to the EEC 'follies'

The problems of Europe will not be solved in one crisis meeting existed.

Those which we seek to resolve the problems of Britain's contribuion and return from the Community must make a positive de-velopment to the other fundamental issues that need to be tackled if Europe is to achieve a new purpose.

The Community has already begun to benefit from the participation created by an elected parliament. It will further benefit as Greece, Spain and Portugal become members. It has, however, now fundamentally to review the workings of Community policy where these have given rise to economic imhalance between member states to provide policies that advantage the poorest members most of all while at the same time reducing the evil of unemployment which is growing through-

out the Community. This is the real challenge that faces the Community. Only by 1980, as the original Community raived the problems of the 1960s will it create a feeling of belonging and purpose among the ordinary people of the 12 nations that it will bind to-

When we look at Europe we must remember that the Community is established for political purposes and policies must be progressively devised which will meet them as well as more short-term economic issues. Although Britain is talked of with much sorrow in the rest of the Community, some of us will re-call that had Britain not stood firm for Europe in the face of French disarray in the 1950s. and by the Treaty of Brussels committed itself to stationing

could never have

Those commitments by Brition in isolation. The manner in tain have cost us monies across which we seek to resolve the the exchanges which this year will total something like £800m. No other country other than the United States spends money so freely across the exchanges for the mutual defence of its allies.

The amount we spend in Germany each year to the benefit of their economy is almost as much as the total of our deficit with the Community as a whole and represents the loss of tens of thousands of jobs in the United Kingdom and a comparable gain to Germany.
It should not be forgotten

that when the French withdrew from the joint military com-mand of Nato they breached the spirit of the Treaty of Brussels and since that time our commitment has in truth been a voluntary one from one of the poorest of the countries of western Europe.

We cannot for long have a Community that over-subsidizes agriculture, does little for the unemployed and treats defence as if it does not exist.

Britain and West Germany

should each meet a quarter of the Deutsche mark costs of the British Army of the Rhine, but the other half should be met from Community funds. Britain should be required to use half these refunds to improve its naval and air force equipment and to use the balance to re-duce its budget nearer to that of its European neighbours.

As Greece, Portugal and Spain become members, the Community should without replacing any Nato functions accept the historical responsibility that Britain once had as the paymaster of Europe. All The provision of the funds three countries suffer from unfor this should be then a septemployment. All should make arate budget levied on member

If these steps were taken and critically. Belgium, the Netherlands and The m Denmark made a more reasonable defence contribution pro-portionate to their wealth, this stationed in Europe and enable could not increase. them to make a more positive contribution in the fields of naval and aviation defence of

Europe as a whole. basis for creating the Com- pean defence and the Commun- national income. Its existence ago that as long as the United

The maximum cost involved would be less than one-fifth of 1 per cent of gross national product and there should be a would release some of the Bri-ceiling fixed in such terms tish and American manpower beyond which expenditure which expenditure

Because Britain economy radically different from the rest of the Community. different there can be no resolution of the issue of equitable contribution to and receipts from the troops in Germany, the very a contribution to western Euro- countries in proportion to their basis. Any scheme has to envis-

ity should equip and finance would not only provide a new kingdom has a gross national additional forces provided by bond within the Community but them for deployment on the would ensure that the general boundaries of the Community. Budget was looked at more enjoy a mechanism that gives enjoy a mechanism that gives her a return on her contributions, and a return of her underreceipts from Community ex-penditure, provided half of such returns are spent in a way that will be of direct benefit to the Community members as a

> When the European mone tary system was proposed two years ago Britain was con-cerned that joining it would result in the possibility of over valuing sterling to our econom detriment. Since that time with sterling developing as a petrocurrency the arguments are all

The British Army of the Rhine: half the cost of keeping the force could be met from Community funds

in the reverse direction. Joining the EMS would certainly tend to hold down the value of sterling in present circumstances. Moreover, ex-perience to date has already hown that membership of the EMS does not prevent counfrom revaluing or devaluing their currency as the need arises. Britain should agree to join the EMS on the basis of devaluing sterling by about 5 per cent from its current level and should start following fiscal policies at home that positively reduce inflation while progressively bringing sterling down to a more realistic level.

No satisfactory relationship can exist between Britain and the rest of the Community while the CAP exists in its present form. The recent example of Britain demanding subsidy for its over valued currency shows that any government will demand extra resources from the Community whenever it can, as long as someone else is going to foot

The CAP has all the dis-advantages of a monopoly system financed by someone clse's purse. It will never be

monetary compensation for the change in the external value of the currency. Monetary Compensation Anamounts (MCAs) personnell policies for should be progressively agricultural policies for abolished. As a first step no by that country and be compensation should be paid. Community as a whole, for the first 3 per cent. There Each budget would be after only one-third of any of the cost of its own countries by countries production. The government change by countries production. The government change by countries production. who revalue, and two-thirds by countries who devalue their currencies should be paid

MCAs are, however, only the icing on top of the fruit cake. The policy of stimulating up of subsidies of other measure production, pilling up of subsidies of other measure production, pilling up of subsidies of other measure production, pilling up of subsidies of other measurements and description of subsidies of other measurements of subsidies of other on as long as the cost is met by the Community as a whole and the national budget has no share to bear.

The CAP is the only Con-munity policy in which sub-ventions from the Community do not have to be matched by commensurate contributions from the national exchequer. It is the only product in which ourside countries are unable to compete because there is no fixed external tastiff on food but a variable raiff that increases every time Com-

manity prices are put up.
The only way to reform the
CAP is to insist that each country countilutes towards the try committees towards. The follies it is creating. The Community has no buy dig in each country striplus farm produce which campot be sold. The Community men has to pay the cost of the storage of such its on the disposal of such surplus products.

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Geoffrey Smith

Getting the right Tory balance

The largest Conservative back-bench revolt so far this Parlia-ment took place on Tuesday when 45 MPs voted to insert a clause on secret ballots into the Employment Bill. This was a rebellion by right-wingers the Cabinet. Previously there have been revolts by left-wing ackbenchers against right-wing Ministers. It all intensifies the impression of a party that is divided on both the front and the back benches.

How deep is the split? There see, first of all, differences over the practical effects of specific policies. Would it be possible to enforce a requirement for secret ballots? If so, would that reduce the number of strikes? That kind of disagreement will always occur under healthy sign in any party that these particular objectives so among Conservatives at the moment by personality con-

There remain considerable misgivings about Mrs Thatcher personally, and about her style f government both within the Cabinet and among Conserva-tive MPs. Equally the epithet of "wets" which she has bestowed upon some of her colleagues in Government and Parliament betokens a lack of respect for those with whom she disagrees. There is on both ides a lack of confidence not just in the judgment but also in the spirit in which the other

approaches the challenge of government today. This raises the third, and in some respects the most interest-ing point: the ideological divide. Mrs Thatcher and her closest associates see themselves as conducting a quiet revolution. They wish to estab-lish a system in which governin our lives in general and the economy in particular takes a smaller proportion of the tion of balance, trying to apply national income for public the corrective to any fashion-expenditure and would leave able trend that threatens to go more money in the pockets of too far in any direction.

Perhaps the most that Mrs Thatcher can realistically expect to achieve is to perform the historic Tory function of balancing

individuals to spend as they thought fit. This would involve, in other words, a return to the the market economy.

Her critics within the party do not object in principle to upon absolutes that worries them in ideological terms. They

echo the words of Sir Ian Gilmour in his celebrated lecture on Conservatism to the Cambridge Union in Fefruary: A Tory, then, does not believe that any single economic doctrine or policy is capable wholly explaining guiding or predicting activity." Floor есопотіс activity." Elsewhere in this lecture he remarked: "If you have a system, you do not need balance and moderation. Your system is, by definition, right and you do not want to modify it, since that would make it

imperfect." There is a philosophical or ideological distinction of some importance here. On the one side are those who are the heirs trines of nineteenth century liberalism, seeking to create or recreate an economic system based upon the principles of free competition. On the other are those who draw their inspiration from the Tory tradi-

This distinction is of more than academic interest. The difference in purpose and approach breeds mistrust and

or particular items of policy to correct the trend towards into conflicts of principle. The collectivism that has been the its members are thinking for much as to the idea of creating balancers suspect the economic feature of government in Britain a new system of economic gov- liberals of being extremists throughout the post-war years, ernment. It is the emphasis pushing blindly sowerds an That may seem a modest the complexity of economics. The economic liberals regard the balancers as pussyfooting compromisers, for ever blunting the effective thrust of policy. But there is a paradox. What if the ideologues can provide

no more than balance, and if balance cannot be secured without the ideologues? There is no disagreement between them over the direction in which to move. "Two of the reasons why we have fallen so far behind most of our competitors", said Sir Ian in his Cambridge a large public sector and we have a good deal more governinterference in the economy than most of them". He even agreed that too high a proportion of the country's resources were spent on the social we came into office had to be redressed not least because we simply could not afferd to go on as we were".

conflict is. therefore, simply over the pace and the extent of change. One should always he careful not to accept the Thatcherites.

to assume that they can achieve what they proclaim. Whatever may be said by Mrs Thatcher, her colleagues, advisers or intellectual mentors, there is no possibility of returning to even a modified version of a nine-ticenth century free market scouldny. The political pres-sures and institutional forces

are too greet.
The Government have made compromises aircady and will have to make more in the future -which is not to suggest that there is a Usurn around the corner. It is just that it will not be possible to be quite as rigor-ous and radical in constructing a new system as some would like. What Mrs Thatcher is doing, and can be expected to turns disagreements over tactics do still more in the future, is

ideological goal without care task But it is in fact immensely either for political realities or difficult to change even to a limited entent the assumptions and expectations according to which government has been conducted and a nation's life has been based for more than a quarter of a century. Special qualities are required. One of the criticisms of Mrs Thatcher that is heard from friend as well as foe is that she has a narrow range of sympathy. But it may be that only the singleness of purpose that comes from a narrow vision, the deterwho are spared from seeing too many sides to any question, can possibly turn this particular

If this is so, it means that the most that Mrs Thatcher can realistically expect to achieve to perform the historic Tory function of balancing-and also that she, or someone like her, is more likely to fulfil this role than the balancers themselves. So, even if reasonably successful, the ultimate fruits of Thatcherism should be more in accordance with the historic purpose of the Gilmourites than It is not possible to live in Poona and be unaware of the Rajneesh Askram, although Mr Levin's description in The Times of the "orange-clad rivers" flowing to Rajneesh's talk at 7 am is applicable only in the immediate vicinity of Poona's most expensive hotel. the Blue Diamond, where Mr

Levin perhaps stayed.

The Ashram is just round the corner from this hotel and the whole area (Koregaon, the site of one of the last battles fought against the Peshwas by the British in January 1818) is now a neopoyte colony. In other parts of town it is rare to see a Rajneesa: a follower of Rajneesa).

Since the Ashram is a large social fact in Poona, most people have an opinion about Levin referred to the " air of hostility among the Indians themselves (his italics). the tales of cark doings, with hints of sexual impropriety that such movements invariably attract" and the gossips out stories of dark deeds ".

I have just spent a year researching in Sanskrit at Poona university and I think Mr Levin has entirely failed to appreciate how fundamentally different Indian society is from English. Foreigners in India are in a very peculiar position with respect to caste. We are rich and powerful, or at least well connected paysically clean, and in many BY EZEK make the signs of being high caste. But we eat meat, even beef, eat with either hand indiscriminately, accept water from anyone, drink alcohol and in several other ways align

ourselves with the lowest of untouchables. India's way of solving this problem is to make of us another caste: videsins or foreigners, and that name contains the phenomenon we are, much as a provincial Englishman might write off some odd behaviour from a tourist with, "He's foreign; he doesn't know any better".

However, by dressing in the ochre robes of a renouncer and wearing the necklace of rudrak-shi beads, the Rajneeshis are asking to be judged by Indian standards. They place themthemselves outside the comfortable the signs of being a sannyasin

An Indian view of the followers: of Rajneesh Ashram

Causing a scandal in Poona



Ecstasy: Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and two of his followers

wanders homeless, dead to the world, seeking only enlightenment, and leading a life of the utmost personal discipline.
There are still many such men in India and they are deeply venerated.

The trouble is Rajneeshis seem to come alive to the world as soon as they get to Poona. They are seen dining in all the expensive restaurants, cating beef and drinking beer, and worst of all they are usually in couples, hugging in public, kissing, holding hands. This might sound tame stuff to a westerner but I can assure Mr Levin that only in one small and bread. Wouldn't there be area of the old city of Poona an outcry? I think that in the will he find Indian ladies be-

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monk who has performed his having like that if public.
own funeral rites and now It is not that the residents of Poons need to speculate of what goes on in the Ashram (though of course they do): they are scandalized and offended by the "ordinary" behaviour of Rajneeskis out

and about in town.

It is not possible to give an analogy that would convey the full power of the thing but imagine a group of very rich. Arab businessmen starting a church in London where they all dressed in Anglican mini-sters' robes, with collars, went around arm in arm with their girl friends and had services with pot and steak pie for wine. and bread. Wouldn't there be

lyongar (I am not a men of this either). It is univer respected and the a foreign students behave in alty—to indian sensibilities public and are spoken of approval and regard. Any good friend of mine who dr a rickshaw said he would so innes park near the Ashi and waith the Rameeshis v Sur of horrified fascinat but would never take them his cab for fear of polluti Others swallow their pride caste feelings and take

I have been to a talk at Ashram and my judgment emirely different from Levin's. The entrance fee astronomical by Indian s dards: 10 rupees buys the or more at home h

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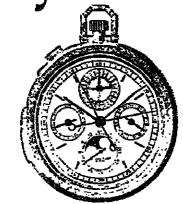
There are many deeper q tions on which Mr Levin sh

be taken to task especially question of "no mind" well's "double think") be which so much intellectual moral rubbish can hide, the personality cult of Rajne himself, with his followers occupation with his body robes, "Simple" sandals, hei baldness; beard, voice, fing left hand, beard again, eyes marked feature of the Ash is the profusion of photos Rajneesh, now in this hat, in that

Finally there is the warding of Rajnessi's h methods, which seem in so as they are serious at all, to based partly on a misiater tation of Freudian docty They are not typically indi

- Dominik Wujasi

"Widelyacclaimed;" he conceded, "but scarcely well known."



He formed the words reluctantly, as though afraid "La. Grande Complication" might lose some of its aura through the mere suggestion of being famous.

Whilst, as I pointed out, awareness of this extraordinary masterpiece of the watchmakers art cannot dull its brilliance, its price of £40,000 means that few people will ever know the pleasure of owning one.

Everyone else, I reflected, must be content in the knowledge that such craitsmanship still exists today.

As if reassured, he handed the slender chronograph back to me, his fingers lingering for a moment on the finely edged gold case.

Audemars Piguet Illustrated brochure and a list of appointed jewellers is available from Audemars Piguet, 73 Saffron Hill, London ECIN 8RS.

Pravda can probably boast that it is the most cuoted news-paper in the world. It certainly has the biggest circulation, with some 10,700,000 copies printed each day and an esti-mated readership of 50m and the world knows that when Pravda speaks, the voice of

the Kremlin is talking. These official pronounce-ments, often signed with pseudonyms and laying out Soviet policy, conjure up pages of turgid speeches, columns of statistics, weighty articles denouncing the latest policies of Washington, Peking or some other offending country.

All this is true, and there are days when Provide does seem stupendously dull. But it not the whole picture. Stories of embezzlement, fraud, muggings and hold-ups, investigations into ministerial coverups and attempts to falsify the figures, challenges to ministers to tell consumers the truth all this is the stuff of Fleet Street journalism. It is also the daily fare of Pravda, Investia

Contrary to common perceptions in the West, the Soviet press is one of the most campaigning, hard-hitting and effective in the world. The headlines may be smaller, the lay-out more staid and the picture less revealing of human flesh, but the Soviet papers are just as committed to getting their message across, setting the world to rights and giving the readers a good laugh now

and Liternaturnapa Gazeta.

Of course the difference is that the message is not just the editor's musings, but the party But within that framework

Soviet editors could adopt the

motto as their western erparts: "We name the counterparts: "We name the guilty men!" There is nothing a Soviet journalist likes better than unearthing a racket or exposing some shinanigans in this or that factory or ministry. Of course he has to get clearance first. The story, and especially the recent rash of crime stories, is printed not so much to shock or entertain but But once the party has decided that a sector of the cconomy is not pulling its weight, or public concern should be aroused over drunkenness, hooliganism or corruption, woe beside the offending factory when the Pravda journalist starts snooping around.

Soviet papers never criticize the system itself, unless the party has already considered making changes.

But once the leadership has picked a target, the papers weigh in. Soviet railways are a good example. Mr Brezhnev has several times complained they do their for poorty. To judge from articles over the past two years, they are in utter

I have occasionally reported articles about stations piled high with uncollected goods regional notworks stealing each others trains to fulfil their own plan. trucks trundling all over the country while irate factories in sidings. It decided the answer



send out search parties for the missing goods. There was a nicely written

piece many months ago that combined an attack on the railways with a poke at Soviet bureaucracy. Some years ago the Ministry of Railways was alarmed by the amount of theft from rail trucks as they stond

This unit, as all Soviet instiinvented a long-winded title, found premises, set up a re-search programme and had all the usual trade union, party and

recreation committees.

Day after day white-coated designers settled down to ponder over the problem. This went on for about two years until the boss one day his upon the perfect design in his own home. With a cry of Eureka he got his colleagues to make a prototype and took it back to the ministry. They had forgotten all about the unit, and were outraged to be presented with a for several hundred thousand roubles-the entire expenses for this happy little "scientific research organiza-tion" for two years. Grudgingly tile ministry paid up and a series of prototypes was made for testing.

When the big day for the test came all the designers descended on a station where they chose a train at random and fitted 20 of the trucks with the new burglar-proof locks. Then, in a farewell ceremony, they made a few speeches. waved goodbye, congratulated cach other and went home.

Unfortunately no one thought of the next stage. The train chugged off till it came to the junction where the goods were people's favouring paper. The to be unloaded for trans-ship is a weekly organ of the Soviet

was to lock them up properly, ment. The puzzled railway Union of Writers, but it so it set up a unit to design workers could not open 20 of become the leading paper a burglar-proof lock.

the trucks. They tried every social issues are discussed— This unit, as all Soviet instituting and then summoned the remarkable frankness-tutions, acquired a life and local blacksmith. He broke sev. where subjects that are all momentum of its own. It gath- erai tools in a vain attempt to ered together some engineers, undo the locks and in the end invented a long-winded title, the whole lot had to be blown up with explosives.

Many of the campaigns taken. There is always a "slatup by the press acide from page" where scorn is por readers' letters. Writing to the on westerners who havepaper has become a legitimate. pleased the Soviet Union: way of battling with the bureaucracy in this country, and the vast postbag received by the papers gives the Soviet leader-ship a useful feeling for the mood of the country.

One criticism made of the press itself by Mr Brezimey is that it is too uniform. There are dozens of daily papers published in Moscow and hundreds in the provinces, but instead of differing in their level of sophistication—quality or portilar-as in the West, they cater for different organizations, the trade unions, the Komspirol Youth League, the Army Soviet industry and so on.

But even these distinctions of allegiance are rather artificial. a paper wanton you can All papers carry identical texts the beginning of each All papers carry identical texts at the beginning of each pictures and layout when reporting party functions or official news. They divariably have a copy that is passed and very similar foreign news see bound at the side of the printed. Still at you are in the passed and a copy that is passed and social or comemporary themes could just as well be in one of the West in its extremely paper of another.

A special place is occupied, by Literaturiana Gazeta finest people's favourise paper. That is a weekly organ of the Soviet.

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Aim must be caution

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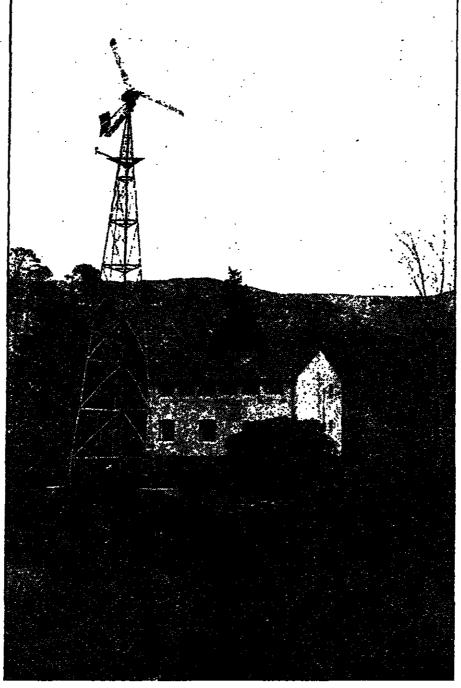
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Opponents want fair hearing

list seeking to study the case has to turn elsewhere for a documentation of the issues and argument. Per-haps the most rigorous of such volumes is The Nu-

Although nuclear power has been in commercial use for generating electricity for more than 20 years, the first extensive examination of the controversial aspects of this source of energy did not take place until the Windscale inquiry two years ago. The transcript of the paign against the Government's plan to expand the control that hearing contains more than 2,500,000 words in its 8,000 pages.

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the nuclear debate and to the understanding of the political process of planning large technical ventures in the United Kingdom. Yet the final report from Mr Justice Parker and his assessors is a masterpiece of brevity.

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The shape of the nuclear controversy changed last year with the accident to the Three Mile Island plant at Harrisburg, which gave the anti-nuclear movement a far more populist voice in Britain. Hitherto, the actions of various campaign groups had lacked the more proposed in the quality of life for all, their desire to have an the quality of life for all, their desire to have an the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing body of expert opinion of an opposite line, which opinions available to the windscale inquiry, and it is important that an independent inquiry should be entered by the barrage of the defence pur up in fidence—into such issues as cracks in the pressure vesting the qualitative difference in The inquiry could be velopment of atomic energy made by the House of the qualitative difference in The formation of the committee was proposed by and any other source of Lord Shackleton and Lord power or industrial hazard. Sheffield last year, after the most turns on the economic committee to the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the body of expert opinion of the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the body of expert opinion of the integrity of individuals. But there is a growing the body of expert opinion of its opinion of its in integrity of individuals.

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School's heat pumps teach vital energy lessons

ack to school could well be the best essage for anyone currently involved in esigning buildings. More precisely back Roach Vale Primary School, Colchester, xipient recently of a RIBA commenation for good design. The scheme itself, dored round five heat pumps, may be ily small in scale, but it is an excellent odel for learning about the advantages of 1 overall approach to environmental

ssign in all types of buildings. Central to the schools controlled enviment are the five heat pumps which ovide year-round heating, ventilating and toling. In winter, the heat pumps use the itside air as the heat source, even when raperatures are quite low. Their output is pplemented by using heat from the warm haust air of the building, which is passed er the outside coil of one of the heat imps. In summer, the occupants are kept amfortable by ventilating the building id, in very hot conditions, the heat pumps unbe used to provide additional cooling.

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But the equipment is only half the story ist as important was the careful consideraon given to design of the structure in frich it operates. A modular method of uilding (MCB) is used, purpose-designed y Essex County Council in conjunction ith consulting engineers Chamberlain and artners. This emphasises the importance Theavy insulation for roof and walls, doors ith draught lobbies, and sealed windows.

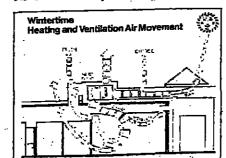
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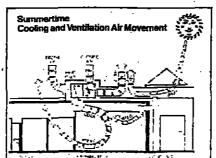
But Roach Vale is only a stage in the process of learning from succeeding stages of design development. And now that reduction of energy consumption is a real concern, the implications of that process extend far beyond schools into buildings of all types and sizes.

In energy matters, industry and commerce can no longer afford to spend indiscriminately - and re-education often starts with small pioneering projects like

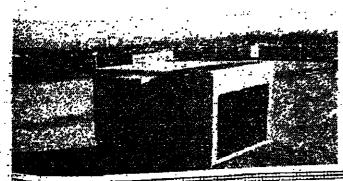
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cent and a greatly improved working environment-these are the results of comprehensive improvements to an 1860m2 office area at the International Harvester Corporation in Doncaster Modernisation in four areas-lighting, beating, cooling and insulation-has brought the office right up

It is true to say that before the changes the single-storey office was virtually a relic of the steam age - its principal heat source was an antiquated underfloor steam system. In winter this struggled unsuccessfully to combat cold down-draughts from the abundance of roof lights. In summer the same glazing caused significant overheat-ing, which could only be remedied by the simple but haphazard expedient of opening doors and windows. So everyone suffered the office staff physically, and the company financially, with the regular arrival of large

Action

In its modernisation suggestions the Yorkshire Electricity Board looked at all areas affecting energy expenditure together and identified four main areas for action:

- 1. A new false ceiling was necessary over the whole office, to he used as a return. airplenum with air handling light fittings. 2. Efficient roof insulation needed to cut
- seasonal heat loss or gain. Lighting levels were to be upgraded in line with the IES Code standards.
- 4. Air conditioning-essential for summer comfort and proper air distribution.

Office face-lift brings 50 per cent savings



Better working conditions at International Harvester's Doncaster Office.

The addition of two heat pumps for even greater heating economy means that in practice the YEB recommendations have brought the total annual reduction in

energy consumption to over 50 per cent. The original refurbishment has been so successful that International Harvester are now adopting the same principles in modernising other offices on the same site. In the latest case they are obtaining even better savings by using optimum start

So now International Harvester can count on energy bills considerably smaller than those of its steam-age days. And it can also count on the immeasurable advantage of efficient and comfortable working

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Winter holidays, once seen as a continental luxury are now an area of considerable growth potential in the British hotel trade. And at the Madeira Hotel, Falmouth, this potential is now being realised with the help of a recent electric modernisation programme. For under £5,000, the new electric system is being used to supplement an existing oil-fired boiler to provide a warm and welcome addition for management and winter visitors alike. It makes use of electricity for both heating and hot water needs, while keeping installation and operating costs to a minimum.

The seafront hotel, originally five turnof-the-century houses, is open all the year round and accommodates over 90 guests. Its owners at first considered installing a larger oil-fired boiler, but capital costs and the expensive replumbing necessary weighed against it. The basic existing oil-fired system supplied heating to the ground floor and hot water to a few of the bedrooms. Electric equipment could have been

used in a variety of ways to supplement this. In the end electric panel heaters with integral thermostatic control were chosen for heating 42 of the 49 bedrooms. These cut waste because they are used primarily when the rooms are occupied, leaving

guests free on arrival to choose the room temperature that suits them best. Heating on the landings also has thermostatic output control; in this case using storage fan heaters.

Flexible

The same flexible approach has been applied to meeting the hot water requirements for new shower installations. For the second floor bedrooms 13 electric instantaneous units ensure that energy use is cut right down to the time it takes to have a shower. For the more continuously used first floor bedrooms, water for showers and baths not supplied by the existing system is

provided by off-peak electric heaters in well-insulated storage cylinders. The hotel owners were particularly satisfied by the reduced amount of pipework needed, and the low operating costs achieved.

Manager Mr Turner was pleased with the way the heating coped even on the coldest days - no boost at all had been needed. When unoccupied, the rooms had been kept aired with the heaters on a lower setting, thus providing the guests with a warm welcome through the whole winter. Annual operating costs for 1978/79 including the cost of lighting, TV, etc, came to just under £4,000.

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North Sea oil

How fast should we deplete our reserves?

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Combustible waste that cannot be recycled is used to fire an old steam engine which in turn drives a stand-by generator producing about three horsepower.

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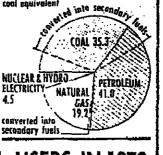
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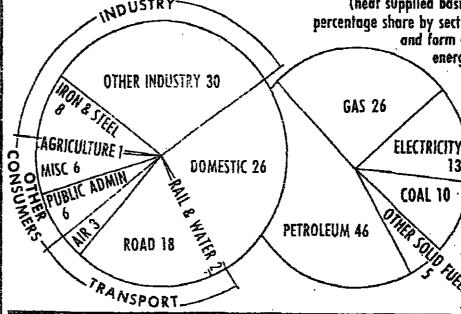
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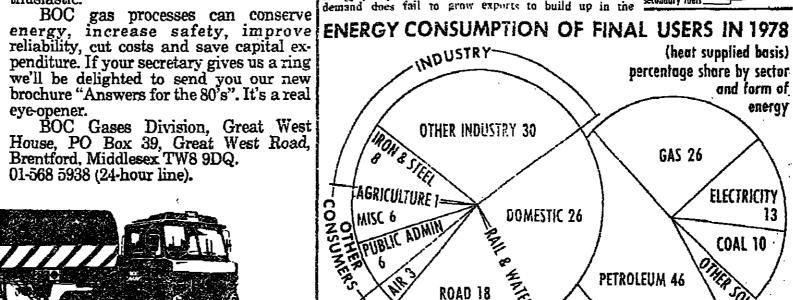
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Cheap energy is a thing of the past. So here's some advice for the future.

For several years now domestic gas In a decade of soaring inflation, the price of gas in real terms has fallen by about a third. The promise of North Sea gas has been and will continue to be fulfilled.

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Fortunately, however, most people can do quite a lot to protect the family budget against the effects of these inevitable price increases.

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MONEY SAVING TIPS...

Stop Obvious Heat Losses and Wastage

* Keep doors and windows shut.

Keep curtains drawn where possible. Turn heating off in rooms not in use.

Use weatherstripping to stop draughts round doors and windows.

Don't waste hot water.

Dress sensibly—dont sit in your shirtsleeves with the heating on full blast when a sweater would keep you just as warm.

Make sure your hot water cylinder's properly lagged with a thick, snug-fitting jacket.

Use Your Central Heating Controls Sensibly

* Turn your thermostat down a degree or two. The chances are you'll hardly notice the difference - but you'll be saving money. (Where there are elderly people or young babies, special care should be taken in making temperature reductions.)

* Use your time clock properly —there's no sense in heating the house when there's no one home.

Insulate Your Loft

* If your loft isn't insulated, you could be losing up to a quarter

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* Insulation doesn't cost the earth—and you may even qualify for a local authority grant.

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Keeping your gas appliances in top working order can help them to work more efficiently.

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In Cases of Real Hardship

* If you face genuine hardship over the payment of your gas bills, you should get a copy of the Code of Practice on the payment of bills—it's available at your gas showroom. It tells you what to do and how you may be able to obtain help if you are in genuine need of assistance.



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OVERTURNING MR WEIGHELL

ast week's provisional pay settleeut for the railwaymen seemed several ways a particularly apeful sign of new attitudes in troubled industry. It followed e first annual negoriation in hich the rail unions, those frennial rivals, had found it posble to join together to bargain th their employers, and it ininded an agreement in principle sout productivity, something rkisted should be kept separate m pay talks. In a wider conet, it seemed to mark the peaceseason where a breakdown ejuld represent a major threat the public and the national promy. All these hopes were persed yesterday by the persed yesterday by the usal of the executive of the tional Union of Railwaymen ecept the advice of Mr Sidney

he abortive settlement was in sense a harsh one. A 20 per t agreement in a subsidised lic industry whose chairman fidently expects it to fail to t its cash limits next year good deal beyond what could called sensible on any objec-assessment. There was ittedly a productivity element ie deal, and there were argu-

igheil, their general secretary,

I the terms were "sensible

ts for scrambling to the end the wage round without her damaging major strike. the productivity element was hat we have grown used to being pushed up at a danger-

with British Levland and the steel industry.

There was no hard and fast hargain on working practices whose savings would pay for higher carnings, only an agree-ment in principle to work something out—something whose anticipated savings would not in any case cover more than a small part of the proposed increase. Further productivity talks were also promised. With an ominous lack of any sense of historical irony, Sir Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, welcomed the "solemn and binding" undertakings that the negotiators had given him.

The negotiators, but not the unions. The NUR executive take exception both to the link with productivity, loose as it is, and to the introduction of the pay increases in two stages. Their belated sense of common interest with the other two rail unions has proved weaker than their suspicions about an agreement which might benefit the others more than the NUR. This narrow obstructiveness is more characteristic of the footplatemen's union (which has more to lose from most attacks on restrictive practices) than of the NUR.

The changes in parcel and freight handling that have been outlined would have widespread effects on the less highly skilled of the railway workers. But the financial plight of the industry ere will o' the wisp compared is so difficult, with fares already

ously rapid rate, and an acute shortage of funds for capital investment, that there is a real risk of a cycle of declining standards and earnings, which would threaten more jobs than any scheme to improve efficiency.

In most unions, there are three broadly distinguishable levels of political activity: the statesmen. the functionaries and the other ranks. At the top are individuals who can or should see the affairs of their union in the broad context of the labour movement and the national interest: Weighell was a statesman when he argued for acceptance of the plan. At the bottom come the mass of members whose main concern is to make the best of their jobs and their rewards, relatively conservative and pragmatic, but with a strong sense solidarity. In hetween come officials and delegates repre-senting sectional interests within the union, not always; and often not at all, in touch either with political realities or with rankand-file opinion. It does not seem probable that the majority of NUR members would at this moment reject an offer so favourable to their interests, in favour of the uncertainties (and certain loss of earnings) of a strike. It would be utter irresponsibility for the leaders of the union to risk that course without an assurance, expressed in a secret ballot, that their followers support them.

THIRD CANDIDATE FOR NOVEMBER

rises in the course of this s American Presidential aign, but few people would predicted six months ago Congressman John Anderson i now have declared his inon to run in November as idependent candidate. His necessary degree of confidence es of victory seem at this to be negligible. They could iproved only by a sense of nal catastrophe that transd the political perspective. istory of third-party candi-

is not encouraging. Mr son will have problems in g money under the new and in some states he will en be able to get his name the ballot. The most probffect of his candidacy will be to increase Mr n's chances, because Mr son will offer a home for ual Democrats who might rise feel obliged to vote for

rter. while it would be a misto regard Mr Anderson's being. fects too seriously, it is ieless worth considering ie should have taken this

e have been a good many decision. There are two reasons. The first is the widespread disenchantment with the choice that the two main parties now seem certain to offer. Disillusionment with Mr Carter mounts daily. Whatever his qualities, his conduct of affairs at home and abroad is too inept to inspire the

> in him as a President. So Mr Reagan may well be elected, and he may well prove to be a more accomplished President than it is now fashionable to suppose. But it would be a denial of the evidence to ignore the. fact that he too inspires considerable misgivings both within the United States and in other countries. It may only be a matter of reputation, but politicians have to live with their reputations and he is not an American politician the rest of the world feels comfortable with. There are many Americans too who would not be of the doubt until he had proved his reliability in the White House. Yet Governor Reagan does seem a fairly normal human

The quently more favourable for a third-party candidate than for respect.

MONSTRATIONS AND PUBLIC ORDER

many a year. What makes Mr Anderson believe that he might profitably fill this role is the degree of success he has so far achieved on the primary trail. One must not exaggerate this. He did not carry Illinois, his home state. There is no evidence of a surge of popular cothusiasm that might sweep him to the White House if only the inhibitions of normal party loyalties could be overcome. He has not become a public favourite, but he has done better than expected and he is a candidate who has given the impression of responding honestly to the issues without for ever calculating the political

consequences. In doing so he may have taken himself too seriously. Like President Carter he leaves the impression of having been born unduly often. He has certainly not given evidence of a personal brilliance to make one feel that here is a to White House. He has not shown that he is capable of putting together and leading an organization in the way that is required of an effective President. But he has made a contribution to the 1980 campaign that is worthy of

conditions are conse-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

If Britain left the EEC

From Mr Wymne Godley

Sir. According to Lord Gladwin (article April 21) it is "absurd" to suggest that if we left the Community we should be "in any way better off" and in particular, that "... the £1,150m that we should theoretically 'save' would not enable Sir Geoffrey Howe to balance his books for he would still have to devote considerably more than that to financing our farmers"

Lord Gladwyn is entirely mistaken on this now much discussed point.

If on leaving the Community we were to retain the existing method of farm income support with prices maintained at their existing level via levies on imports, no additional expenditure from the Exchequer at would be required to finance our farmers. The Exchequer would indeed benefit to the extent of the whole ner contribution (say \$1.200 million) and also would benefit from the levies it would then charge on imports from EEC countries to make the difference between EEC disposal prices (which Britain could then presumably obtain) and present support prices. The total net direct benefit to the Exchequer would probably exceed £1,600 million in

If, as a matter of convenience or political choice, the Government on withdrawing were to revert to the old deficiency payments system. some support for farmers would be required and the Exchequer would not receive the proceeds from levies on food imports but there would be an exactly equivalent benefit to British consumers who would pay correspondingly lower food prices. The Exchequer would still benefit through not having to pay over the proceeds of customs duries and a proportion of the yield of VAT to

he Community. The method of farm income support only (in effect) changes the distribution of income between taxnavers and consumers, two largely coextensive groups. Whatever method was chosen there would be a real direct net benefit to the country (on withdrawal) exceeding £1,600 million. This of course ignores the dynamic" effects of membership which can now clearly be seen to be

Yours faithfully, WYNNE GODLEY, Director, Department of Applied Economics, University of Cambridge, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge. April 22.

Benefits for strikers

From the Chairman of the Supplementary Benefits Commission Sir, I was dismayed to read the views attributed to me by your Huddersfield correspondent (report,

strikers' families I said it was for Parliament to decide this essentially political question: Our Com-mission only asks that social security staff be given a manage-able job to do. That means that they must have clearly defined instructions which leave them as little discretion as possible. But, I pointed out, discretion and the contention it may provoke in a big strike cannot be minimized if the rules are so harsh that they create many cases

of the first the decision to scrap . . . payment of supplementary allowances . . to help pay for home helps . I welcomed it, explaining that home helps only go to those who really need themelderly and frail people in the main—and if these people are so poor that they have to live on supplementary benefit it would be outrageous to make them pay for the service. Very few authorities ask them to do so. They, I said, should be ashamed of themselves. Yours faithfully,

From Mr R. C. Putnam Sir, Your recent article and the sub-sequent correspondence highlight the need for adequate training for

sary experience to cope with the hazards of the hills. Outdoor activities form a worthwhile part of the experience of an increasing number of young people, and I am sure that most parents and teachers welcome this trend, provided

undue risk. would like to reassure Dr Mehew (April 21) that the MITB is concerned principally to provide training for leaders and organizers of youth parties; it has no wish to "regulate" individual mountaineers. and I for one would deplore and

ROGER PUTNAM, Outward Bound Mountain School, Eskdale Green. Holmrook,

April 21.

An ill wind

Yours faithfully, DAVID GOODENDAY, Bunker's Dip, Neville Drive, N2.

Western attitudes to Islam

From Mr D. E. Frith and Mr Ken in the Gulf whilst sitting on a " prin-

Sir, Having lived and worked in Saudi Arabia, we resent the trend to take isolated incidents, whether from the penal code, or from the behaviour of a few individuals when in Europe, and pass them as being the everyday practice and behaviour of Saudi people in general. Myths are very powerful—especially so when false—and it is time we put a stop to false myths which slander a people and jeopardize important political and commercial relations. There is urgent need to consider the recent hostility displayed in certain of the media (presumably spontaneously) to Saudis, Arabs and Islam in general from a historical

perspective.

The development and exploitation of oil wealth, for example, was not something the Arabs did out of greed. It was what the West imnosed on them, strictly for its own That we now sneer at Arah wealth is due to our resontment that they are able to command a proper price for what we insist they deliver to us. (Ironically, the Saudi oil authorities have done the most to keep Opec prices down.)

Vilification based on isolated cases sadly takes the place of any attempt to describe Saudi and Islamic society as a whole, any desire to come to understand the underlying tenets of Islam (although Islam is the religion of many of our fellow

citivens nowedays). We in the West have to face the fact that any influence in the Arab world depends on the Arabs' assessment of our integrity. This is so in dealings between individuals and between states. For this, proper knowledge and understanding are essential, not the commercial exploiration of sensationalism, We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants. DENNIS E. FRITH, KEN KIRK. 15 Blomfield Road, W9. April 23.

From Mr W. P. J. Shortle Sir, I refer to Death of a Princess: Of all the crassly stupid actions this is one.

Of course the left-wing MPs complain especially about those who protest—they're not worried, anyway it is their job to mess things up. If you said "cross-culture communication" to them they couldn't even read the words. But for intelligent men to incorpordize hydrogenessmen have men to jeoperdize businessmen here

Choice of help in

childbirth From Miss Juliet Willmott Sir, The Radical Midwives are not meeting in Nottingham this week-end to change the Sarah Gamp image ascribed to them in your London Diary (April 15), an image which, even in its own day, owed as much to fiction as to fact. They would I believe prefer to be associated with the midwives of the

Nor do they see the need for midwives being reduced if they succeed in their aims. Indeed they want the midwife to be restored to her traditional place, ie "with

Exodus, Shiphrah and Puah, who

outwitted Pharaoh and pleased the

the woman ". It does not seem to be suffi-ciently appreciated by society as a whole that midwives are a dying species. They were once recognized as the expert attendants in normal childbirth. Now most are. also merely obstetric nurses, doctors' handmaidens, clerks and administrators. They usually work eight, hour shifts. Not all midwives deliver babies any more but are assigned to only one fraction of the birth process: the care is frag-

mented. No wonder it is difficult to recruit and retain sensitive and caring staff in what can be such rewarding and responsible employ-

Most births should be allowed to proceed normally. Yet expensive technology and medical intervention are often being applied wholesale when they should be reserved for

ahnormal cases. Ninetveight per cent of births in England and Wales now take place in hospital. Mothers rarely have any choice but to submit to whatever is the prevailing policy in their local obstetric unit, whether humans

and scientifically sound, or other-Will our society be happy when. there are no midwires left? Is it tolerable that something as funda-mental as childbirth should often be managed as a factory process by an anonymous assortment of machine-minders? If not, then alternative patterns of care must be appraised and developed. The need for an adequate degree of continuity of care must be reaffirmed, along with respect for normal, healthy physiology. I am sure that there are many professionals and others who are well aware of the present position. They should speak now. Yours faithfully.

TULIET WILLMOTT, 31 Pondfield House. Highbury New Park, N5. April 17.

Moral standards

From Mr Gerald Bonner and Dr Ann Loades Sir. In your issue of April 22 it was reported that a woman had been sent to prison and heavily fined for keeping a brothel which when raided by the police, was found to have no fewer than 53 customers including a peer of the realm, an ters and businessmen. None of these was named and no action will, presumably, he taken against them.

It is difficult to imagine a more blatant example of the inequity of the operation of the law relating to prostitution. The lechers, without shom brothels would not exist, get off scot-free; the women who minis-ter to them are prosecuted. Furthermore we are told that the police wasted a good deal of time which they might usefully have employed trying to reduce crime in watching the house involved.

Can public hypocrisv go further? Is it not time for the police and courts to cease to try to court public morality, to do which they are themselves ill-equipped, which will prove in any case fruitiess, and which must of necessity expose them. to a charge of humbug? Yours faithfully,

GERALD BONNER, ANN LOADES. Department of Theology. University of Durham, Abbey House, Palace Green, Durham. April 23.

Pound foolish?

From Mr Patrick Sergeant Sir, You say today (April 23) that the value of the pound has gone up by 16 per cent since January year and that we have experenced inflation at a far higher rate than our major competitors with the result that there has been a significant erosion of our competi-tiveness in world markets.

How, then, do you account for the value of our exports rising by 16 per cent to £40,700m last year and their volume by 44 per cent? Or, for that matter, for the value of our exports being 43 per cent higher in the first quarter of this year compared with the first quarter of last year? Yours sincerely, PATRICK SERGEANT,

New Carmelite House, Carmelite Street, EC4.

Strong language From Mr Philip Jacobson

Sir. In Taiwan I encountered Olde Jick (sic) McGregor's Favourable Scottish. Unforgettable, unforrunately. Yours faithfully.

PHILIP JACOBSON Carmalt Gardens, SW15. April 24

From Mr H. T. Sowden Sir, I read today: "On the 416th anniversary of his birth, A. L. Rowse writes on the latest Bardic re-

Yours faithfully, H. T. SOWDEN, Larch Cottage, Pilgrims' Close, Westhumble, Dorking, Surrey. April 23.

z because of clashes or

ted clashes between the ial Front and some of its ents like the Socialist ers Party and Anti-Nazi e-but not only from that g: there was also Grun-The number of policemen mount of police time used attempt to keep order been rising. So has the Residents in the selected ing grounds have been conscious of a greater f of inconvenience or The violence frequently the form of attacks on the themselves with the of provoking them to the retaliation that distheir public reputation. political causes provocaof all this stress-neo-1 and its street opposites left—are widely judged worthless. And that con-'s to a growing feeling that st of vindicating the freeof assembly and right to strate has become too high context. That part of the tion, the greater part, is sitting comfortably is d to set greater store by

inconclusive discussion of the law of public order in a Green Paper published yesterday leaves those principles looking sound reason to depart from them.

sometimes of worse violence than there would have been in

the initiative for banning and controlling marches or the local authority? The chief constable,

at political demon- do whatever is not expressly ms has been increasing. prohibited, which takes the form mostly of common law offences such as obstruction, threatening behaviour, and malicious damage. Second, when the law assumes a preventive role the criterion it acts on is threatened public order, not public inconvenience or expense, and not the nature of the cause or grievance the demonstrators have at heart. The Government's useful but quite

> enough. There is no sufficient There are practical questions of detail which fall to be considered. Are the powers the authorities possess to ban or place conditions on marches wide enough? Yes. although there might be advantage in making the disorder test less stringent for the purpose of imposing conditions. In general it should not be assumed that a power to ban can by its exercise ensure tranquillity. If too restrictive, bans have been and will be defied, with the consequence

the first place. Should it be the chief constable who is empowered to take

so long as the criterion is public order about which he is the responsible expert. But something will have to be done (though this is a separate question) about the position of the London boroughs which are rated for but have no say in their policing. Should organizers be required

to give a period of notice of marches to the police? Yes, provided a way can be found of excepting genuinely instant demonstrations.

Should such powers of control as there are over marches be extended to static demonstrations and open-air meetings? Yes, provided the stringent public order test is adhered to.

Should the statutory right to public facilities for election meetings be qualified? No. That goes to the root of free elections and must be maintained at all

Should the racial incitement offences be drawn by reference to the content of speeches and slogans rather than their sup-posed impact in order to make enforcement easier? No. So long as freedom of speech and politics is highly valued, it is not safe, in defining these offences, to depart further from the breach-ofthe-peace test than has already been done.

industries. Yours faithfully.

Sir, The letter from Tania Dillon (April 14) prompts me also to tell you that in 1940 I bought a large refrigerator made by British Thom-son-Houston. It has been working continuously since then, with no attention and in five different

In my ignorance, I am amazed that anything can work unceasingly for 40 years, without so much as a drop of oil.

negative.

April 18). On the subject of benefits for

of hardship.

I did not "attack the decision to

DAVID DONNISON, Chairman, Supplementary Benefits Commis-

New Court. Carey Street, WC2. April 21.

Safe climbing

the need for adequate training av-leaders of youth parties engaged in mountaineering activities. The Mountainwalking Leader Training Board (MLTB) and its sister boards in Scotland and Northern Ireland exist to coordinate such training and to ensure, as far as possible, that party leaders have the neces-

ded that such activities are approached responsibly and without

resist any such move. Yours faithfully.

From Mr David Goodenday

Sir, A thought, prompted by your except from John Grigg's book. If, indeed, Normandy had been invaded in 1943, and the war in Europe had ended in 1944, how many hundreds of thousands more American and British Common wealth servicemen would have died or been wounded in the ensuing all-our conventional attack on Japan? Presumably the atom bomb would not have emerged any earlier. It's an ill-wind

Private patients' bills From Dr D. L. Gullick

Sir, In March the House of Lords debated, on a motion by Lord Hunt of Fawley, the subject of the NHS and private health care. The front-bench Opposition spokesman, Lord Wells-Pestell, included in his speech

the following sentence:
"Even when charges are levied on private patients who enter NHS hospitals, many of them leave with-out paying their bills; and not only do they owe the hospital, but very orren they owe the fees of the con sultant surgeon or physician." [Hansard, col 247, 19.3.80.]

Such a sweeping statement, by an ex-minister, is so much at variance with my experience in this field that I have taken steps to establish the actual facts. This has taken a little time, but I hope, Sir, that you will think they merit publication— if only in fairness to the repute of those of your readers who may thouse to be treated privately.

The Department of Health and Social Security informs me that the aggregate of all bad debts written

off represents some 1 per cent of the total amount paid by all private

From Professor John Yudkin

Standards Committee has shown:

In the past few years, I have asked the ASA to investigate three or four advertised products that I believed were useless. The advertising for

Promising site

tions. An inner-city area, now entirely depopulated, commercial initiative stifled by regulation and

my youth, all unpublished.

Those of us who are real Conser

ing for a principle—that's their privileg?—but when they sit comfortably back in the UK protected by a non-government activity with the inference "we don't care how many other people go down for our principle; we're safe", then it's time to give up.

ciple" is appalling in its lack of insight.

and Wireless contributing millions in revenue from these areas—and

BAC? What about people like me, waiting for visas to go in? In this

rrea can be found hundreds of busi-

nessmen awaiting their visas to carry on their business with the kingdom.

I am not too concerned about these fanatics who go down fight-

What about companies like Cable

W. P. J. SHORTLE, Managing Director, Bahrain Business Centre, PO Box 5284, Manama, Bahrain. From Count Nikolai Tolstoy

Sir, Sir John Glubb (April 23) suggests that revolutions cannot be successfully threatened by foreign intervention, and that the only method of dealing with revolution-aries is to leave them to their own devices. Historically this is of course nonsense. Dozens of revolusuppressed by foreign intervention; obvious examples springing to mind from recent history include action hy the Austrians in Naples and Piedmont in 1821, the French in Spain in 1823, the Russians in

Hungary in 1849, and the Roumanians again in Hungary in 1919. Sir John is deceiving himself if he imagines there are any "ele-mentary principles of statesman-ship" by which statesmen may ship" by which statesmen may guide themselves. Little Arthur's History of England being now quite out of date. How, for example, do you define a "revolution"? And can revolutions "always be left strictly alone to work out their own solutions" if, as in the case of the French, Russian and German Revolutions, they refuse to be left strictly alone and spill out far beyond their frontiers? Finally, can one really stand aside when fin Germany's Brown Revolution)
"their own solution" includes The Final Solution ?

Yours faithfully. NIKOLAI TOLSTOY, Cricket Court. Cricket Malherbie. Ilminster.

patients. Even so; the spread is not even, for much of the larger sums unpaid are owed by overseas visitors, so that UK defaulters are

less than one in 100 on average. The Nuffield Nursing Home Trust, the largest private chain of hospitals, inform me that in 1979 they had to write off less than 0.25 per cent of bed charges as unpaid debts.

There is no equivalent aggregate source of information about doctors fees. I have, however, put Lord Wells-Pestell's statement to an accountant with an extensive practice amongst consultants in this country. He replied: "this is . . . a completely inaccurate statement of the facts. . . It is difficult to put a precise figure on . . . bad

debts ... but for most surgeons with gross fees between £10,000 and £20,000, £200 or £300 would be the maximum written off in any one Yours faithfully,

DAVID GULLICK. Adviser,

Advertising claims

Sir, Robin Young says (April 18) that the Advertising Standards Authority too longer insists that advertisements have to be "legal decent honest and truthful". But the claims it itself continues to make are still misleading. Its own latest advertisement in

The Times on Saturday, April 19, says that the millions of advertisements that appear each year in this country comply with the British. Code of Advertising Practice, and one of the rules of the code: all descriptions, claims and comparisons whith relate to matters of objectively ascertainable fact should be capable of substantiation. To be capable of substantiation". To the man in the street, "substantia-'implies that some independent body, and not simply the advertiser, can produce evidence demonstrating the truth of the advertisement. This is certainly not true of advertisements for many slimming products, as the recent report of the Food

From Mr Matthew Parris, MP for Derbyshire, West (Conservative) Sir, While likely enterprise zones are being considered, may I remind your readers of a neglected—yet, to me, obvious—candidate?

Hyde Park has all the qualifica-

bureaucracy: surely one of the worst examples of "planning blight" we have in London. The area is now quite overgrown with trees and grass and has reverted aimost to nature. It has also become a key breeding ground for birds: the contribution made by this feathered vermin to noise pollution, by their infernal twittering, prompted several letters. prompted several letters to you in

vatives decry interference in the free market. Interventionalist legislation relating to the use of land shapes (that is to say distorts) our whole environment. I trust none. of my "wet" colleagues will demur when I invite your readers to take a critical look at Hyde Park : it is only the first step! Yours faithfully. MATTHEW PARRIS. House of Commons.

Secretary and Executive Medical Provident House Essex Street, WC2

one of these products claims that it produces weight reduction by reducing appetite, since it contains bran. The ASA tells me that it is satisfied with the evidence produced by the advertisers that the product is effective, but that it cannot reveal what this evidence is, since the manufacturers claim it is a trade secret. On the other hand a considerable amount of independent research reported in the medical and scientific press demonstrates that brain has little or no effect in reducing appetite, and certainly does not do so when taken in the very small amounts provided by

such products: We now have the ludicrous situation that the medical profession has been provided with detailed research reports showing that this sort of product does not help to reduce weight while the lay public read advertisements, supported by ASA, that say that the product does belp to reduce weight. One can reasonably ask whether the function of the ASA is to protect the consumer, or to defend the advertiser. ours, etc. JOHN YUDKIN 16 Holly Walk. Hampstead, NW3.

Union solidarity From Mr E. W. C. Symes

April 21.

Sir. Your article today (April 22) headed "BL stewards defeated as 14,000 go back" states: "The great majority of those joining the strike after the first three days were clearly only disclosing their back." clearly only displaying their loyalty

to union policy."
On the contrary, it should by now be obvious to most observers that what is commonly described as union loyalty, or solidarity, is more likely to be fear of losing union cards, and hence jobs if union instructions are disobeyed. Yours faithfully E. W. C. SYMES.

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St George's Day.

Culmore Kingston Deverill,

Warminster,

Wiltshire.

From Dr John Hages Sir. And what about the "Henry the Fifth" for the historic Night Ferry from London to Paris, now threatened with extinction by the French? Yours succeedy. JOHN HAYES,

Eternal summer

search." It would be impertinent indeed to challenge the views of so eminentand contemporary—an authority.

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fr R. W. Shepherd

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Order Act is indicated.

our leading article, entitled are and Consumers" (April s into the same trap as much t legislation: favour the cally strong and all will be rat least the votes (reader-will flow! write of British farmers as 3 series of individuals. we compose the largest

in Britain in gross output ind certainly have a record incrivity which, if matched

re in our economy, would a with no balance of pay:

roblem and a yet stronger complain of inconsistency in ter's policy, relative to that te in Government. I am that he at least has the wit upt to prevent further the in our agriculture induced Silkin. Paran incomes have a by 13 per cent and 17 per impound in two successive longing the effect of this

You do have the grace to men-tion that the balance was once in the other direction but you do not state the extent. Your leader is devoted to a protest that there is now a positive monetary compensa-tory amount because the pound has tory amount because the pound has risen 2! per cent above the green pound. At one point the discrepancy was such that United Kingdom prices were at a discount of 48 per cent compared with those paid to German farmers. The discrepancy ranged round 30 per cent between United Kingdom prices and those in

five years. How could any individual survive such a situation for long, much less such a situation for long, much less an entire industry? We were robbed of a golden era by Mr Silkin. The comparable situation which obtained in Eire and ellowed to flower. transformed the entire economy of

the rest of Europe, for a period of

that nation. That opportunity is now lost to us, but allow, at least, that Mr Walker should use such mechanisms as there are to mitigate the effects

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Yours sincerely. IRENE WALKER. 12 Longeroft Avenue, Harpenden, Herrfordshire. April 15.

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April 24: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present at the Eightieth Anniversary Thanks-giving Service of the National Free Church Women's Council which was held in the City Temple this afternoon. The Lady Jean Rankin was in

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
April 24: The Duke of Kent,
President of the All England
Lawn Tennis Club, this evening
attended the Wimbledon Dinner,
which was held at the Institute of Directors, Pall Mall.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance. The Duchess of Kent this morn-ing opened the Pat Seed Building at the Christie Hospital and Holt Radium Institute and in the afterngon opened the Greater Man-chester Youth Association's Youth Training Workshop in Manchester.

Shrewsbury School Loday's engagements

The Governors of Shrewsbury School have appointed Mr S. J. B. Langdale, aged 43, Headmaster of Eastbourne College, to succeed Mr W. E. K. Anderson. Mr Langda'e will take up his appointment in January.

Felixstowe College

Entrance scholarships for Septem ber. 1980. have been awarded to :
tophic Greusot 'Duich Angio Shell
School, Gaboni. Sara Jane Ketteley
'Maldon Court! Lisa-Anne Barber
'Spaniglied PNEU', Sarah Ford
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81: Professor Meyer Fortes, 74; Lord Gladwyn, 80; Mr W. F. R. Hardie. 78: Lord Hayter, 69; Lady Marre, 60; Vice-Admiral Sir Frank Mason. 80: Sir James Plimsoll, 63; Sir Stanley Rous, 85; Sir George Schuster, 99; Mr David Shepherd, 49; Sir David Stephens, 70; Sir Michael Turner, 73.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell.

Prince Michael of Kent will visit the Road Transport Industry Training Board multi-occupational

training and educational centre on May 12.

book of condolence on the

A sook of condoience on the death of Sir John Methven, Director General of the Confederation of British Industry, has been placed in the main reception hall at the headquarters of the CBI, at 21 Tothill Street, London, SW1. The book is available during office house to available during office house to available during

office hours to anyone wishing to express their sympathy.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Brigadier Sir Alexander Abel Smith will be held today at St Mary's church, Fairford,

memorial service for Mr Philip

Spink will be held at St James's, Piccadilly, at noon on Monday, April 28.

Sir George Baker, 70; Sir John Clements, 70; Mr Kenneth Davies,

1: Professor Meyer Fortes, 74;

Gloucestershire, at 3 pm.

Birthdays today

The Duchess of Kent presents Kathleen Ferrier Memorial Scholarship, Wigmore Hall, 1.25. Exhibitions: People of the Nile,
Third World Bookshop, 28
Sackville Street, Piccadilly, 9.30
to 6; High Fidelity 80, Cunard
International Hotel. Hammersmith. 10 to 7; Printmaking
Degree Show, Royal College of Art, Kensington Gore, 10 to 8.

Arms fair: Arms, armour, military books and memorabilia, Royal Lancaster Hotel, Bayswater Road, 11 to 8. Guided tours of Goldsmith's Hall, Foster Lane 12, 1 and 3.

Lectures: Turner, by Paul Spencer-Longhurst, National Gallery, 1; Japanese portrait painting, by Margaret Somer-ville. British Museum, 11.30; The Vikings, by Kenneth White-horn, British Museum, 1.15; Lunchtime music: Robert Dean, baritone, and Geoffrey Tozer, plano, Central London Institute, 6 Bolt Court, Fleet Street, 1.10; Singers' Workshop, St Mary Woolnoth, 1.10; Wartburg Concert Choir from Iowa, Holy

Sepulchre, 1.15. Memorial services: Brigadier Sir Alexander Abel Smith, St Mary's, Fairford, Gloucestershire, 3; Sir Roger Stevens, St Margaret's, Westminster, noon.

Christening

The infant son of Dr and Mrs Hugh Hogarth was christened Hugh Hogarth was christened Alastair Mark Crawford by the Rev C. E. Leighton Thomson at Chelsea Old Church on April 23, 1980. The godparents are Dr Charles Pumphrey, Mr Strone (for whom Mr Mark Tindal-Carill-Worsley stood proxy), Mrs Christopher Heath and Miss Griselda Hamilton-Bailtie.

Thirties Ball

The second Thirties Ball, which this year benefits the Uphni Ski Club, takes place at the Park Lane Hotel on May 14. There will be a dress show by Miss Sukie Thomas, with music by Mr Tiny Winters and a cabaret in the thirties style. Tickets, to include buffer support are available from buffer supper, are available from Mrs Sara Wright (01-636 5020), Park Crescent, London, W1N 4EQ.

Service dinnera

Drake Term, 1925 Surviving officers of Drake Term 1925, attended a quinquential dinner at the Army and Navy Club yesterday to celebrate the 55th auniversary of joining the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

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Spring blossoms: Miss Catherine Bramwell-Booth, aged 96, Commissioner of The Salvation Army, comparing posics with Queen Elizabeth

the Queen Mother after a thanksgiving service in London yesterday for the National Free Church Women's Council's 80th antiversary.

Legal

Latest appointments

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P. R. Clarke
and Miss A. J. Dawkins
The engagement is announced
between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs
S. A. Clarke, of St MartensLatem, Belgium, and Amanda,
daughter of Mr and Mrs D. A.
Dawkins, of Godalming, Surrey.

Dr M. W. Millar-Craig and Dr J. A. Glading The engagement is announced between Michael Walker Millar-Craig, of Coventry, Warwickshire, and Janet Alexis Glading, of Cowbridge, South Glamorgan.

Mr M. Nicholson
and Miss S. Carnegie
The engagement is announced
between Mark, son of Mrs Hugo
Romer Nicholson, of Topps Farm,
Breamore, Hampshire, and the Breamore, Hampshire, and the late Mr Raymond Tibbitt, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Carnegie, of Eserian Farm,

Mr R. Waruock and Miss M. Polomska The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr A. N. L. Warnock, of Hoylake, Merseyside, and Margaret, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs E. Polomski, of Zeist, Netherlands.

and Miss J. R. Valori
The engagement is announced between Robert Edward, son of the late Mr Peter Rees and Mrs Rees. of Brundall, Norfolk, and Jane Rosanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Amieto Valori, of Norwich Norfolk wich, Norfolk. and Miss V. E. lent The engagement is announced between Adrian Tait, of 1 Fair-

and Miss J. Kay The engagament

and Miss J. Kay
The engagament is announced between Iain Stewert, eldest son of the late Mr G. J. Greig and Mrs T. F. Webb, of Osbaston, Gwent, and Jeannette Mary, only daughter of Mr F, B. Kay and the late Mrs Kay, of Pulborough, Sussex.

and Miss K. I. Serrystone
The engagement is announced
between Thomas, only son of the
late Mr T. W. Heaydon and of
Mrs P. L. McNeill, of Sydney,
Australia, and Rosalie, only
daughter of Mr and Mrs D. W.
Berrystone, of Weybridge, Surrey.

Mr T. W. Haydon and Miss R. T. Berrystone

Miss J. R. Valori

view Road, Hungerford, son of Mr G. J. N. Tait and the late Mrs Talt. and Victoria, elder daughter of the Rev Peter and Mrs lent, of Newport, Isle of Wight.

(president-elect) and Dr Ing. H. R. Wuthrich.

The annual dinner of the Institu-

Society of Apothecaries of London

Apothecaries of London, Sir Gordon Wolstenholme, enter-

fordon wostenning. Enter-tained members and guests at a livery dinner at Apothecaries' Hall last night, assisted by the Senior Warden, Mr Guy Blackburn, and Dr T. D. Whittet, acting deputy

Dr T. D. Wmiter, acting deputy Junior Warden. Those present included:
Surgeon Vice-Admiral Str John Rawlins, General Str Victor FixeGeorga-Ballour, Str John Peel, Air Vice-Marshal Str Raibh Jackson, Str Harry Moore, Dr R. Owen, Dr G. Korsley, Mr D. Savill, Mr A. E. Stroud, Mr A. Hemens and Professor A. N. Worden.

The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn, Mr G. H. Newsom, QC and masters of the bench entertained at dinner yesterday, being Grand Day, the following guests:

following guests:
The Bistiop of Rochester, Lord and Lady Dovlin, Lord Cross of Chelsea, Lady Renton, Lord Cross, Lady Rockett, Lord Chelsea, Lady Rochest, Lord Chelsea, Lady Wontrason, MP, Sir Augh Greene, Sir Norman Stethorn, OC. Dame Elizabeth Lane, Sir John Wille, Sir Ashton Roskill, QC or Pressure of Greene, Sir Norman Stethorn, OC. Dame Elizabeth Lane, Sir Ashton Roskill, QC or Pressure of Oxford Complex of Oxford University, Major-General H, E. N. Burdin, Mr A. Coffe Cole, Mr A. R. Butly Mrs G. H. Newsom, the Dean of Winchaster, Mr Reelstar R. L. Bayne-Pourelt, the Master of Selwyn College, Cambridge, the Master of Mariborough College, Witishire and Licutenant-Collene E. R. Bridges, RM (under-pressurer).

Institution of Civil Engineers

Luncheons

Nyeri, Kenya.

HM Government Mr Neil Marten. Minister for Overseas Development, was host at Overseas Development, was host at a luncheon held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of Mr A. J. P. M. Ssentonga, Minister of Finance, Uganda. Other guests included the High Commissioner for Uganda, and Mr Richard Luce, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Mayoress of Kensington and Chelsea

Prince and Princess Michael of Kent attended a luncheon given by the Mayor and Mayoress of Ken-sington and Chelsea at Kensington Town Hall yesterday. Among those

Town Hall yesterody. Among the present were:
Colone: the Earl of Avon. Lord and Lady windows the Covernor of the Earl of Lord and Lady Windows Chelses and Lady Read. Dr Roy Sirong. Dr and Mrs. D. J. E. Ingram. Dr Joan Mertin, Commander and Mrs John Casson, Mr lan Burgoyne, Mr and Mrs John Roberts. the Deputy Mayor of Konsington and Chelses and the lown cierk and chief executive.

Loriners' Company The Master of the Loriners' Com-pany, Mr C. Kelth Vartan, presided at a court luncheon held vesterday at a court incheon held yesterday at Founders' Hall. The speakers were Sir Edward Tuckwell, Mr William H. Wylie-Harris, Under Warden, and Mr Heury J. Jackson.

Institute of Taxation

Mr Michael Spofforth, President of the Institute of Taxation, was host at a luncheon held at the City Livery Club yesterday. Those present included:

Lord Grantchester, Mr Denis Healey, MP, Mr R. K. Bishop, Mr J. L. Bowron, Mr P. Betndest Mr W.

Dinners

Latest wills

Army, 1948 to 49.

25 years ago

Royal Society of Medicine moyal society of Medicine
The President of the Section of
Plastic Surgery, Royal Society of
Medicine, Mr P. J. Whitfield,
accompanied by Mrs Whitfield,
presided at the annual dinner of
that section on Tuesday evening
at 1 Wimpole Street, London.
Among the guests were Professor Among the guests were Professor S. Selwyn and Mrs Selwyn and Professor A. Crisp and Mrs Crisp.

Institution of Mining and Metallurgy
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by
the Sheriffs, was a speaker at the
annual dinner of the Institution

tax paid : tax not disclosed) :

Briggs, Mr Noel George, of Pen-rith. £242,053

Robert Roy, of Normanby, Humberside, C-in-C of the Indian

Close, Mr John Woodhouse, of Shipston-on-Stour, farmer. £148,043

From The Times of Tuesday, April 26, 1955

From Our Political Correspondent

sat in the House of Commons as a Liberal MP for 22 years and who

was deputy leader of the Liberal Parliamentary Party from 1949 to

1951, has joined the Labour Party.

join them for a long time and her decision will cause no surprise either to the Opposition or to her former Liberal colleagues.

Lady Megan Lloyd-George, who

Labour Party recruit

General Sir Francis

.. £13.673

Lord O'Hagan, MEP, presided at the annual dinner of the Primrose League held at the Hyde Park Hotel vesterday. The Hon Douglas Hurd, MP, was the guest and speaker. Also present were: Mr Stanley Ernest Ennor, of Guildford, left £1,267,244 net. Other estates include (net, before

Primrose League

Lincoln's Inn

Coombs, Mrs Violet Louise, of Weymouth. . . £134,332 Duberty, Mrs Enid Saffron, of Huntingdon. . . £147,188 Fisher, Mr Harry, of Preston, skin .. £155,475 merchant. Griffiths, Mr John Steadman, of Croxton, Staffs. .. £125,891 Holmes, Mr Frederick Brian, of Huddersfield, engineer. £459,825 Jones, Mr Ernest, of Malpas, Cheshire. £173,360 Lockhart, Mrs Beatrice Alice, of Barrington, Cambs. . £180,979

University news Salford

Appointments and promotions

First Arts Council book prizes awarded

By Philip Howard
Literary Editor
The Arts Council last night
amounted the winners of its first
National Book Awards of £7,500
each for books published last

year...
The prize for history or blo-graphy is been awarded to Hugh Thomas for An Unfinished History of the World (Hamish Hamilton, of the World (Hamman Hamman, £12.50), his eagle-eyed account of the political, scientific and technological revolutions that have brought our generation from the beginning of history to inherit the

The prize for fiction has been given to Penelope Lively for Treasures of Time (Reinemann, 25.95), her tale of the re-creation of an archaeological dig by a tale-vision producer making a film about a famous archaeologist The prize for children's litera-

ture has been given to Colin Dann for The Animals of Farthing Wood (Helnemann, 54.95); ani-Wood (Heinemann, 24.95): animals of all sorts fleeing from bull-dozers escape to nature reserve.

Making the awards, Mr Keymeth Robinson, Chairman of the Arts Council, said: "This is a new venume for the Arts Council, which is always on the look-out for constructive ways to help authors. We do not expect the awards themselves to produce masterpieces that would not otherwise have seen the light of day. But we hope and intend that they should stimulate the whole movement not only of awards to successful authors but also of good books to readers."

Since the Age of Pericles no literary prizes have yet been Latest appointments include:
Lord Justice Warkins to be a
Pricy Councillor on his appointment as a Lord Justice of Appeal.
Rear-Admiral R. R. Squires to be promoted to Vice Admiral.

The following to be new members of the Independent Broadcasting Authority's general advisory coun also of good books to readers."

Since the Age of Pericles no literary prizes have yet been awarded without their being moaning at the bar afterwards about those who did not win. Although the short lists had some oddities in them, in general the moaning about the winners last might was less instified than usual, particularly in the case of Hugh Thomas's tour de force.

The Arts Council cannot spend a penny without criticism. And there has been criticism about the size of the awards, the categories, which overlap other commercial awards, and the fact that each award is made by a single judge for the year: Dame Veronica Wedgwood judged biography or history, Kingslev Amis judged children's books.

For next year's awards both judges and categories will change. But only a mean or jealous monster would grumble about the Arts Council spending such handsome amounts of money to encourage poor authors. Cil:

Mr Joe Black, group computing adviser:

Mrs Joyce Crawley, data processing
technicken: Miss Rhisamoo Howell,
inison officer for Wales of the National
Federation of Women's institutes: Mrs
Dephne Jacksoe, senior administrative
officer with the London Borough of
Homatow: Miss Patricks Lambard,
director of IPC Magazines Lit. Mr
Geoffrey Lambard, general makager of
Environmental Control Centre, British
Petroleum Company Ltd. Mr Miss
Loigh, theatre, television and film
director and author; Mr Charles
Swallow, howingsney of Mouni Grace
Waldegrave, Conservative Mp for
Bristof. Weste

Memorial services

A memorial service for Mr John

Mr J. Skeaping, RA

Sir Maurice Hackett

A memorial service for Sir Maurice Hackett was held yesterday at the Church of St John the Baptist, Barnet. The Rev Adrian Slade officiated. Lord George-Brown (brother-in-law) and Mrs Hackett (daughter-in-law) gave addresses. Among others present were:

werte .

Piers and Benedict Hackett (grandsonal . Mrs G. Hackett (sister: Lord
Greenwood of Rossendale, Lord Beswick. Sir Vincent and Lady Tewson.
Mrs T. Paterson and Lady Tewson.
Mrs T. Belezon Mr Hitchcock tchairman, Bodfordshire Area Health
Authority, and Mr C. Reynolds.

University opens

The university senate has decided that in the academic session 1980-81 departments

will make as many of their courses as possible open, and the public will be able to attend

them, space permitting, without

applied in routine amounts to plots

to the public.

Mr W. R. Heeler to be a registrar of the Chancery Division of the High Court with effect from April 16.

Cash gift to college

Sir John Sainsbury and Mr Timothy Sainsbury, Conservaire MP for Hove, have made a cash gift to Worcester College, Oxford, to provide additional rooms for undergraduates. Both were edu-cated at the college.

of Mining and Metallurgy held yesterday at the Mansion House. Mr D. A. Temple, president of the institution, presided and the other speakers were Lord Nelson of Stafford, Mr J. T. M. Taylor (president electrical and Dr. Ing. H. R. Science Policy Foundation Professor Sir Hermann Bondi, Chief Scientific Adviser to the Department of Energy, gave the sixteenth annual Science Policy sixteenth annual Science Policy Foundation Lecture, entitled "Scientists and the Public Service", in the RTZ Auditorium, St James's Square, last night. Mr Maurice Goldsmith, foundation director, presided and the vote of thanks was proposed by Dr Magnus Pyke. Sir Hermann and Lady Boudi were the guests of honour at a dinner party given later at the Athenaeum. tion of Civil Engineers was held at Grosvenor House last night. Mr W. G. N. Geddes, president, presided and the other speakers were Mr Hamish Gray, Minister of State, Department of Energy, who was the great of honour and

of State, bepartment of Lengy, who was the guest of honour, and the High Commissioner for Canada. Among other guests were: The Ambassador of Musico, the Earl of Halsbury. Lord Hinton of Bankside. Sir Angus Paton and representatives of public and professional organizations. The Lord Privy Seal, who was accompanied by Lady Caroline Gilmour, was a speaker at the annual dinner of the British-Tunisian Society held vesterday at timistan Society near westerday at the House of Lords. The Earl of Listowel, patron of the society, was host and the other speakers were M Habib Bourguiba. ir, special counsellor to the President of Tunisia, and Mr John Marn-ham, chairman, Among others present were:

All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club The Duke of Kent, President of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, was a speaker at the annual dinner held yesterday at the Institute of Directors. Air Chief Marshal Sir Brian Burnett, chairman, presided and the Right Reverend Lord Coggan was the guest of honour.

Bowyers' Company Bowyers' Company held a ladies' night livery dinner last night at Fishmongers' Hall. The Master, Mr F. C. Schilling, was in the chair. Mr G. Neville welcomed the guests and the Bishop of London replied. Other guests included:

included: Honon, the Prime Warden of the Fishmongers' Company, and Mrs Till: Lord and Ludy Hirkeit and Professor Sir David and Lady Phillips, Glaziers' Company The Master of the Glaziers' Com

The Master of the Glaziers' Company, Mr George M. Gee, assisted by Mr J. P. S. Edge-Partington and Mr M. E. Snow, Wardens, presided at a court meeting at Glaziers' Hall yesterday. A dinner was held afterwards and the guests included the Hon Ewen Montagu, QC, and Mr B. W. Vincent, Prime Wardens of the Basketmakers' Company.

space permitting Lancaster University is to open its undergraduate lectures

Chairs: Dr T, R, Crossley, areo and mech eng: Dr M, Davies, civil eng. Lecturers: B, J, Dovie, business and admin, from June 1; D, L, Owen, business and admin, from Sell 1; Mr. Tharlotte Hoffman, mod languages, from Oct 1.

Senior lecturers: Dr A. O. Fitton. Ichem and applied chem: Dr A. D. Boardman and Dr R. Gerber i prore and applied physics!: Dr J. L. Hav (electing): Dr P. Leitler and Dr L. R. Fletcher (mpsthematics): Dr A. N. Hall (blochemistry): G. Zis | economics : P, F. McDonaid (mod languages).

Science report

By the Staff of Nature Concern about the harmful effects of pesticides has usually centred on the danger to wildlife that may eat contaminated plant matter. But two scientists at Rothamsted Experimental Station

1951, has joined the Labour Party. This was made known yesterday by the publication of a letter from Lady Megan to Mr Attlee informing him of her decision and the reasons for it. Her home is at Criccieth and she has joined the Caertaryon Division Labour Party in which constituency also is in Harpenden, Hertfordshire, believe that more thought should be given to the fungi that normally live in harmony with various crop Caernaryon Division Labour Party in which constituency she is an elector. In her letter to the plants. Dr J. A. Ocampo and Dr D. S. Hayman have found that various chemical treatments designed 10 leader of the Opposition Lady Megan says that she is convinced protect crops from attack by fungi. insects or nematode worms may also have a deleterious effect on that " in the changed situation of today it is only in the Labour Party that I can be true to the Radical tradition." She also says: other fungi that grow around and within the roots of the crops. "The official Liberal Party of 1955 seems to me to have lost all helping them to absorb nutrients and withstand certain stressful touch with the Radical tradition that inspired it." The recruit-ment of Lady Megan Lloyd-George on the eve of the general election Many plants have such relation. ships with fungi, and the partner-ship, known as mycorrhiza, is mutually beneficial. The fungi is good news to the Labour Party. They had been expecting her to

have access to certain carboby-

drate nutrients produced by the

plant, and in turn pass on to the plant mineral requirements such

Agriculture: Useful fungi as potassium and phosphate that have to be absorbed from the soil. In some environments, such as the poor, acid soils of many low land rainforests, mycorrhiza can be a vital link in the natural cycles that maintain the ecosys-

> beneficial to crops growing in arable fields, and agricultural scientists have begun to exploit the relationship. Their approach is to augment the amount of fungus in and around the roots of the crops. Field trials of various crops, including legumes and potatoes, indicate that mycorrhiza could have a future as a natural

Mycorrhiza can also be very

In view of such benefits, it is not surprising that people are worrying about the possible harm-ful effects of pesticides. Studies carried out during the past few rears have suggested that various posticides are indeed detrimental to the fungal partner; but a clear pattern has not emerged. Dr Ocampo and Dr Hayman have looked at the effects of a selection of different pesticides

of soil planted with barley, main or potatoes, all with mycorrhiza. They found that most of their treatments affected the growth of the mycorrhiza, usually detrimen-tally. The results of those field trials clearly show that mycocrhiza can be affected not only by chemi-cals designed specifically to kill fungal pests, but also by those directed against insects and nematode worms. The most marked and consistent effect was due to benomyl, a so-called general biocide, which caused a notable decline in the mycorrhiza of the two

In view of their results, Dr Ocampo and Dr Hayman raise the possibility that chemicals used to protect crops from pests may in-directly reduce yields through their effects on the beneficial mycorrhiza. They suggest that such a possibility requires more attention. Source Transactions of the British Mycological Society (volume 74, page 423), April, 1980.

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cereals.

OBITUARY MRW. M. BALCH

Former President of the RICS

Mr William M. Balch, FRICS, inevitable, in building up who was an outstanding Presi. Defence. During the wident in 1957-58 of the Royal worked with the Essex Institution of Chartered Sing agricultural committee in veyors, died on April 29, 7 He that, included chairmansh as 76. She Estate Management 5.5

Born in 1904, Walliam Morton mittee and deputy exercises officer and land agent. Among appointments he was managing director and

Born in 1904 William Morfon:
Balch (known universally as
Billy) after education at
Maldon Grammar School and at
Christ's College, Fundiney, Dist
trained as a pupil on a farm in
Essex, a county which was bo
hold a life-time attraction for
him but in 1922 bains 30
London as a general assistant
to his father, F. W. Balch, in
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PROF WLADYSLAW TATARWEWICZ

A correspondent writes:
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in America.

Born in 1886 in Wassaw, then part of the Russian Empire.

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A memorial service for Mr John Skeaping, RA, was held yesterday at St James's, Pictadilly. The Rev William Baddeley officiated. Mr Paul Mellon read the lesson and the Hon Sir John Astor gave an address. A musical tribute, from Jenkins, Lawes and Purcel, was played by Mr Joseph Skeaping, Mr Alexander Skeaping, Mr and Mrs Roddy Skeaping and Miss Margaret Skeaping. Among others present were: 19th and 20th Century Philips The esteem and affect sophy and an Analysis of Hung with which Tatarkiewicz piness written during the dark everywhere regarded gave days of the war and published great sandsaction. After in English in 1976. He wrote Second World War, as befuently and fast and found the first, he moved from for many other philosophisms. Pastern and Western European, a splendid illust Restrict and Western European and a chapter on day brotten from endless the Polish culture in the Cambridge sages from every part of History of Poland.

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circle, which included artists such as Steer, Sargent, Tonks and Mancini, to whom the children repeatedly sat-under pro-test; writers such as Max Beerbohm, Henry James and George Moore, whom Elizabeth recalled as her earliest friend; and musi-cians such as her great aunt Ethel Smyth, who took her on a memorable journey to Greece, recounted in Ethel Smyth's own A Three-legged Tour in Greece.

Elizabeth inherited from her grandmother a sure eye for painting which later she too collected though on a less lavish scale, and an insatiable appetite for literature. She stored her memory with fine poetry, which accompanied her to the end of her life. As a young girl, her enthusiasm for ideas, her imagination was fired by astro-exhaustible verve as a renomy and she decided she must learn mathematics and Greek in order to read the classical astronomers. When private coaching became insufficient she was desire. allowed by her family to attend. Towards the end her spitial courses at University College, was dimmed. She had end London, on one condition: she life but did not regret leave.

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has entered a recession

From Frank Voglin Washington and Caroline Atkinson in Hamburg April 24

Top Administration officials are no longer hiding the fact that the United States is in a recession, with the latest news from the car and housing indus-ries providing sharp support for that view.

Dr Charles Schultze, Chair-man of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, stated in Washington that the economy is "without qualification" in a recession. Administration officials point in particular to low demand for cars and housing to pare the moint and housing to prove this point as well as 30 the recent de-clines in general retail sales.

This comes against a back-ground of new IMF forecasts for the world economy showing a sharp slowing down in growth in the industrialized countries this year.

The IMF is predicting a rise in output in 1980 of only 1.4 per cent compared to growth of 3.4 per cent last year. In 1981, the fund predicts an average growth rate in the industrialized world of only 1.2 per

The IMF expects inflation in the industrialized countries to average 9.6 per cent this year and 8.5 per cent next. The in-

Top Carter aide admits

the American economy

lt, rather surprisingly, fore-casts a \$3,000m British balance of payments surplus this year. Fears of a deep recession will be echoed today by M Jacques de Larosiere, managing director of the IMF. Speaking to the interim committee today in Hamburg, he will warn of a sombre world outlook for this year and next.

The IMF expects a wide variation in growth rates in 1980 from a drop in British output of 2.2 per cent to growth of 4 per cent in Japan. The British economy is expected by the IME to come closely out of the IMF to come slowly out of recession in 1981, with a growth of 0.4 per cent.

However, the big question mark over world prospects is the size of the threatened American recession. The IMF forecasts United States growth of 0.2 per cent this year, followed by a sharp drop in output of 1.2 per cent in 1981. Germany is forecast to grow by 2.1 per cent this year, acceler-2.1 per cent this year, accelerating to 3 per cent next.

The Carter Administration insists, however, that the recession will be mild. Mr William Miller, the Treasury Secretary, said in a magazine interview several factors will

cushion the downturn.
"One is that we do not have high levels of inventory at the manufacturing and retail levels. Businesses have been very dustrialized world is expected to run a combined deficit of \$47,500m (£21,017m) this year, while the forecast surplus for manuacturing and recan reverse the surplus with their inventories. This means they won't cut production sharply."

The Administration believes the recession will dampen in-flationary pressures and that the annual rate of consumer price index growth this year, based upon fourth quarter to fourth quarter to about 12 per cent or less, despite an 18 per cent rate in the first quarter of 1980.

the first quarter of 1980. But Data Resources, a leading forecasting group here, is more pessimistic on the outlook. In a new report this group sees two-figure inflation persisting for several years. Mr Miller, however, believes the inflation rate will be into single figures by this time next year.

Mr Jay Janis, Chairman of the government's Federal Home Loan Bank Board, said today that new housing starts for 1980 will fall below one million units. This is lower than the 1.17 million unit level seen during the 1975 recession and it compares with 1.75 million

units last year. Mr William Freund, senior vice-president and chief econ-omist of the New York Stock Exchange, told a banking con-ference that the construction industry is in a serious depression and is without doubt the worst affected sector of the

In the car industry the usual spring boom in new car sales failed to develop and cheer ailing Detroit. Instead the leading car companies an-nounced that their sales fell on average by 33 per cent in the middle 10 day selling period of this month.

National Nuclear Corporation Mr Denis Rooney, an executive vice-chairman of BICC, succeeds Lord Aldington as chairman of the National

Mr Denis Rooney to take over at

The appointment, forecast in The Times on March 16, was announced in Parliament yesterday by Mr David Howell, Serretary of State for Energy, and
brings to an end the uncertainty in the industry caused
by the vacanty.

Before the appointment takes
effect on July 1 the chairman
designate will join the NNC
board as a director and famil-

board as a director and famil-iarize himself with the running of the corporation.

He will need to balance the diverse interests and opinions of those involved in an industry which still provokes much controversy among the public. His primary qualifications are his administrative talents and his impartiality on nuclear ques

One question raised by the new appointment is what plans exist for the rationalization of the corporation. The NNC operates on a two-tier management system which Mr Howell is keen to combine into one

questions have mained unanswered in the nuclear industry since the midseventies as the debates over safety and types of reactors were conducted at every level

of the industry.

The Vinter Committee was set up under a senior member of the Department of Industry in 1970 to study the British



Mr Denis Rooney: facing decisions on British reactors.

designed advanced gas-cooled reactor (AGR). In 1972 the committee reported and recom-mended that no further AGRs should be built until one had operated successfully for at least two years.

By 1974 the Central Electricity Generating Board bed recommended the American pressurized water reactor (PWR) for part of its system, but the plan was rejected by the Government.

The oil crises of the last decade have created greater pressure for an energy policy that would minimize dependence on oil. But by the end of 1979 only nine power stations

nuclear. The Government is now committed to expanding the indusmitted to expanding the industry with permission being given to the CEGB and the South of Scotland Electricity Board (SSEB) to build an advanced gas-cooled reactor each. The two AGRs, to be sited at Heysham in Lancashire and Torness in Lothian, Scotland, will cost at least £1,200m each to construct. to construct. Future debates within the

NNC, to be chaired by Mr Rooney, will undoubtedly be on whether expansion based on British designed nuclear re-actors should continue. The present programme of 15,000 megawatts of new nuclear capacity for 10 years after 1982 is modest compared to those of France, Germany and Japan.

and Japan.

Mr Howell said: "None the less we are investing £5,500m per year in energy production, stressing the importance of the economic use of fuel and conservation, and are alert for the commercial development of non-exhaustible sources of

energy.

"We al! recognize the wider importance of reducing dependence on imported oil. We in the United Kingdom are playing our part to the full."

The corporation, set up in 1973, is owned by GEC, 30 per control Visited Kingdom Atomic cent; United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority on behalf of the Government, 35 per cent; British Nuclear Associates (BNA), a group of private industrial shareholders, 35 per

Fed chief 'helped in \$800m loan for Hunts'

House Banking Committee is to investigate press reports that Mr Paul Volcker, the Federal Reserve Board chairman, helped to arrange bank loans worth \$800m (£354m) for the Hunt brothers to help them pay their silver speculating debts.

According to a report in today's Los Angeles Times Mr Volcker supervised the extension of a credit line to Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt and his brother, Mr W. Herbert Hunt, to avoid economic panic after a margin call was made on the

to avoid economic panic arter a margin call was made on the Hunts' vast silver holdings.

A group of the largest banks in the United States agreed to the loan after details were worked out by Mr Volcker and other top government officials with the heads of the banks, unidentified sources told the newspaper.

newspaper.
The Federal Reserve Board refused yesterday to "confirm or deny" Mr Volcker's role. Mr Nelson Hunt and Mr Herbert Hunt had so far bor-rowed \$300m to pay off matur-ing debts on silver, the news-paper said. In future months, contract promises to buy silver come due, the brothers were expected to use much of the rest of the credit line.

The credit line was not made directly to the Hunts but to the Hunt family's wholly-owned Placid Oil Company, the news-paper said.—Reuter and AP-DJ.

Howe plea against deflation

Hamburg, April 24 Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chan-

cellor of the Exchequer, is making a strong appeal to other industrialized countries not to deflate their economies in an attempt to get rid of their oil induced payments deficits.
The Chancellor intends to
make a forceful speech tomorrow to the world's finance ministers and central bankers assembled in Hamburg for a

meeting of the IMF's interim Although present British policies are highly deflationary a 21 per cent drop in output this year—the Chancellor will stress that this is for domestic reasons and, if possible, should not be copied by other countries. Britain has to fight infla-tion and it is for this reason

that the Government is adhering

to a tight policy.

The world can cope with the problems posed by the huge oil surpluses, according to Sir Geoffrey, especially if industrialized countries accept their counterpart deficits. He believes that the commercial banking system can carry out much of the necessary recycling from surplus to deficit countries. In calling on developed countries to learn to live with payments deficits, Sir Geoffrey is clearly addressing himself primarily to Germany and Japan, both of whom expect to

be deeply in debt. This year sible that if sterling suddenly because of recent huge oil came under extreme pressure prices rises.

fears in Britain that a very severe worldwide recession this year and next would make the outlook for British industry and employment even bleaker. The Treasury is therefore anxious to encourage other countries, such as these two, to increase spending, even if this means that they run large payments deficits.

The Chancellor will probably

recommend tomorrow that countries with ample reserves of foreign currency—such as Germany and Japan—should use these if necessary to finance their halance of the state of the finance their balance of payments.

Sir Geoffrey will also stress that the world should avoid slipping into protectionism. In his view this is not the right way out of the problems caused way out of the problems caused by the oil surpluses and cor-responding deficits.

It is thought that Britain is doing its bit to share in the burden of payments deficits which are the necessary coun-terpart of the enormous finan-

cial surpluses run by Opec countries.

Despite the existence of North Sea oil, Britain has a large current account deficit, which is expected which is expected to continue into 1981.

This has been covered by large inflows of money in the United Kingdom and it is pos-

There have been growing some of the reserves to hold up the pound. However, many people in Britain fear that the pound is too high and is injuring industrial competitive-

High interest rates are another matter of great concern to Britain. The Chancellor is urging other countries here not to engage in an interest rate

The recent surge in United

However, since then American interest rates have started to come down. It is felt that Brit-ain cannot lecture other countries too heavily about high interest rates as the Govern ment's tight money policy has led to very high rates in Britain.

On the key issue of recycling the oil surpluses to developing deficit countries, the Chancel-lor believes that the commercial especially to start with. As a Conservative Chancellor he believes in solving problems through the market if possible. He, in common with other industrialized countries, does not favour easing the conditions on

loans made by the IMF.

Move to recycle oil wealth.

House of Fraser faces | Reshuffle at Grattan Lonrho dividend claim after profits slump

By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke Financial Editor

House of Fraser, the depart-Harrods, faces an unprecedented demand from its largest share holder, Lonrho, to pay a higher dividend than that recom-mended by the board.

Lonrho, headed by the con-troversial businessman, Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, owns nearly 30 per cent of Fraser and is represented on the Fraser board by Mr Rowland. Lourho is dissatisfied with the level of final dividend pay-ment of 5.7p a share gross recommended by the Fraser board and wants the company

to pay 8.5p a share gross. To try to achieve this it has requisitioned the company to include a special resolution at Fraser's annual meeting on June 19 proposing payment of the higher dividend.

Lonrho as a shareholder is able to do this provided it gives 21 days' notice. Success for its resolution would depend on the support of 75 per cent of shareholders. Fraser's board moved to

resist this yesterday. In a curt announcement the company said that the terms of the special resolution and, if received in sufficient time, Lonrho's reasons would be circulated to shareholders with the report and accounts.
At present these are held up because of the printing dispute

wealth, which is affecting production page 20 at Greenaways (ironically a

subsidiary of Lonrho) which prints Fraser's accounts.

To pay the extra dividend demanded by Lonrho would cost Fraser a further £3m of which Lonrho would receive about £900,000.

Mr Paul Spicer, a director of Lonrho, said yesterday that his company considered its demand to be "highly responsible". He dismissed the idea that the move was in any way motivated by personal animosity between Mr Rowland, his chairman, and Sir Hugh Fraser, chairman of House of Fraser.

Mr George Willoughby, finance director of Fraser, said: "At the moment we are talkine about the House of Fraser Ltd and Lourbo Ltd, which is our largest shareholder. It is as impersonal as that."

At the moment Lonrho's case is that Fraser, which experienced a tough trading year in 1979 but nevertheless increased its dividend, could afford to pay more because its dividend cover at 2½ times is more than adequate and that shareholders have not been properly compensated by the company for the period of enforced dividend restraint. Mr Rowland was not present at the Fraser board meeting when the decision on the final dividend was taken. Fraser's board meanwhile confirms its recommendation of 5.7p final dividend, and plans to give its reasons for doing so well in advance of the annual

By Peter Wainwright By Peter Warnwright
Grattan Warehouses, the
troubled mail order group, has
reshaped its board after a
financially disastrous year.
Yesterday Mr Michael
Pickard, chairman, announced
the departures and appointments. Mr A. B. Andrews and
Mr D. McKechnie are being
promoted from within the company to the board. Mr Andrews

pany to the board. Mr Andrews will take over merchandise and Mr McKechnie administration. Mr Donall Cunningham is demoted from executive director to non-executive. The most notable departure is Mr Michael Watson who was finance director. The group is head hunt-

ing for a new one but so far in vain. The empluments of the new post are not being dis-closed. Nor is compensation. Second in importance to this departure is the exit of Mr Kenneth Gray, the former company secretary and administra-tion director Mr A. Malcolm

The boardroom reorganization disappointed some in the City who bad hoped to learn of fresh blood coming into a boardroom where most directors have small their working. tors have spent their working lives with Grattan.

They were also disappointed by Grattan's failure to link up with another retailing group.

Mr Pickard reports that
Grattan looked around but "in position as one of the few independent mail order com-

The UDS group of Richard Shops, John Collier, Allders department stores, William department stores, William Timpson and John Myers had 4.99 per cent of the shares, but now has only 2.77 per cent.

This boardroom reorganization is the second in a matter of months and follows recommendations from Mckinsey, manage-ment consultants, who advised Grattan to retrench after an earlier dash for sales growth. McKinsey spent nearly five months investigating the group.

In the year to January 31 Grattan raised sales by 221 per cent, slightly faster than the industry average of about 18.2 per cent But a near doubling of VAT, high interest rates and a big in-crease in spending on computerpretax profits from £11.28m to £4.45m. The group now has £33m of overdrafts and loans, but is still operating well within bank facilities.

Mr Pickard has been chairman of Grattan since 1977. He is deputy chairman of British Printing Corporation and was in-volved with BPC's joint ventures with Mr Robert Maxwell's Per-

gamon Press. Mr Pickard officially exon officially exonerated from criticisms made against him by to give its reasons for doing so
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Setback in profits for major companies

By Our Financial Staff The mounting problems in the Middle East and on the industrial front produced a dull session in the markets yesterday. The FT Index closed down 0.4 at 434.8. Only major com-panies reporting, including Dunlop, Tootal and Vickers provided any interest.

Overcapacity in the European tyre industry produced another poor year for Dunlop Holdings. Despite a £10m loss from industrial disputes and patchy trading conditions in the group's non-tyre operations, operating profits were unchanged at £64m on sales 6 per

cent higher at £1,569m. But sharply higher interest costs of £47m cut pretax profits by 37 per cent to £29m and after an unusually high tax charge because European losses

could not be offset against profits elsewhere there are no attributable profits for share-

holders. yickers, the engineering group, reported a fall of pre-tax profits from £11.7m to £7.3m, but the shares pur on 5p to 120p on news that the dividend is being maintained and hopes that the Government will be soon paying for the group's nationalized aircraft and ship-building interests. Sales were slightly down from £391m to £389.8m.

Tootal's profits were down by 30 per cent to £14.6m before tax, with poor trading condi-

Pension scheme income increases by £1,584m

By John Whitmore The net inflow of money into pension funds and life assurance schemes rose from £7,461m in 1978 to £9.045m last year.

Nearly half this increase was nvested in Government stocks and alrhough there was some evidence of higher overseas investment in the final quarter of 1979 after the abolition of exchange controls at the end of October, there was no enor-mous rush to invest overseas.

Pigures for the pension funds show that oversees investment in the final quarter rose to £154m, about 124 per cent of their net inflow. However, their and high interest rates all contributing to the downturn.

The major reorganizations programme involving 3,000 redundancies in the United Kingdom is costing E8m.

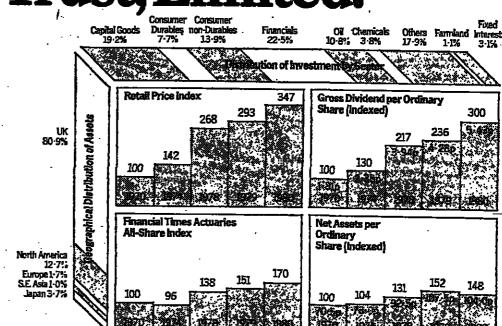
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overseas are not available but in 1979 their total overseas investment amounted to only f93m, or just over 2 per cent of their increased income.

Institutional investors were able to invest overseas before the abolition of exchange conthe abolition of exchange controls, through the premium currency market or by means of overseas loans but it was generally expected that many larger funds would gradually make use of their greater freedom to step up the overseas content of their portfolios.

For many funds the extent of their overseas exposure will of their overseas exposure will be limited by the fact that their liabilities are mainly in sterling. reluctant to move too much money overseas at present be-cause sterling should represent a relatively safe currency as long as the world oil market

The International Investment Trust, Limited.

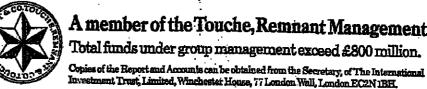


Total assets at 31st January 1980: £40.9 million.

The rising price of oil and accelerating inflation is making a slowdown in industrial activity both in the U.S. and the U.K. inevitable. The outlook for profits is uncertain. In the U.K. industry is faced with a very high level of wage increases and with a highly valued currency which is leading to very difficult export conditions and a high level of import penetration. The final dividend of

2.33p per share makes a total of 3.80p per share for the year, an increase of 29.3%. The current rate of dividend will be maintained and we intend to pay an interim dividend in October of 1.6p per share before attributable

C. Michael Hughes, Chairman



A member of the Touche, Remnant Management Group. Total funds under group management exceed £800 million.

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Irish hive off another aspect of new technology

Computer creates Super bee

You cannot tell new technology to buzz off. The bees of the Irish Republic, engrossed in their daily search for the pollen of the Emerald Isle, are having their mating and working habits monitored by com-

In Galway, a computer software company called Gaeldata,
which caters mainly to the
needs of Gaelic speakers, has
developed a suite of programmes making bee husbandry
were able to call on reports
were able to call on reports as efficient as any modern assembly line.

Gaeldata's involvement began almost 18 months ago having when it was commissioned by Mil an tSulain, professional beekeepers in the west of Isaland to conduct a fast. Ireland, to conduct a feasibility study.

The object of the exercise was to create a computerized But the computer pays off system which would help to particularly when it comes to

breed a stronger bee more suitable to the Irish climate— inspection every nine days, the "superbee". The scale of the problem was challenging and the variables complex, dictated by the activities of 50,000 bees in each of 600 hives.

With all the recessary days With all the necessary data in hand, the consultants began

giving the status and condition of the bees, hives and the hone; produced. Essential information for the computer age beekeeper includes details of whether particular frames are full and in good repair to steer each hive

towards an acceptable output

of 50lb of honey per year.

programs, can help to decide what type of bee works best. In the west of the Republic, this computer system is helping to create a darker and stronger "superbee" which can absorb more sun than the present Italian strain and can tackle winds in excess of 15 mph which would otherwise restrict

the workers to the hives. The worker bee is the result the mating of a drone bee with a queen, of which there is only one per hive; while the drone is the result of an unfertilized egg laid by the queen.

Bill Johnstone

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appeal The Singapore Court of indement after a four-day maintain and free of vibration, hearing into an appeal by Mr. "The way things are four-day Richard Tasling by Mr. Richard Tarling the British businessman, against his con-Singapore company law.

Mr Howard Cashin, for the

defence, argued that the judgment should go in favour of Mr Tarling, particularly as the charges as framed were "meaningless and disclosed no offence".

Mr Tarling, who was released last month after serving a six-month jail sentence, returned to Singapore for the appeal in an attempt to clear his name. No date has been set for the

The charges alleged that Mr The charges alleged that Mr
Tarling violated the Singapore
company act in 1972 and 1973
when he was the chairman of will be spending up to 240m when he was the chairman of Haw Par Brothers International, in which the British Slater Walker group had a substantial

German gas find

A consortium of four West German companies has found natural gas at a depth of between 4,600 and 4,900 metres in test drillings in north Germany, Mobil, a consortium member, announced in Hamhurg. Gas was flowing at 30,000 cubic metres an hour.

Malaysian oil up

The Government of Malaysia has announced oil price increases ranging from 30 Malaysian cents (about 7p) per British gallon for kerosene to offective from Friday. At the same time, a 25 per cent export duty on all oil exports is

US car sales slump

Domestic car sales in the United States have plunged by an unexpected 33 per cent in mid-April from a year earlier in the lowest level since 1975. Dealers reported sales of 146.171 domestically built cars in the April 11-20 period, down from 243,801 a year earlier.

Leading British marine engine was 'a way of life' for many shipowners

End of the Doxford success story

engine, foreshadowed by British Shipbuilders last week, marks the end of an era for shipowners and marine engineers. Will it also be a tragically unnecessary event, which British engineering and the north-east coast in particular will one day bitterly regret?

The Doxford is Britain's only large slow-speed ship's engine at a time when the superiority of the oil engine over the steam turbine on grounds of fuel economy against rapidly rising bunker costs has reached the point at which owners are spending millions tearing turbines out of existing ships to replace them with diesels.

Not only is the Doxford an economical engine, it is the best of any at burning low-grade fuels, a quality which also is becoming steadily more valuable. Shipreserved owners like it because it is simple, easy to

"The way things are going, the Dox ford ought to be a winner", one marine engineer said yesterday. "The Doxford viction on charges of violating was a way of life for many shipowners", another said. "It is most unfortunate". a

Trusthouse Forte, Britain's

largest hotels group, plans to

build at least nine new hotels

on building and an extensive

returbishing programme which

is already under way.

This was announced yesterday

improved more quickly than

expected the building rate of new hotels could be increased,

major new hotel investment by British hotel groups since 1974,

although some of the large American chains have expansion plans for the United Kingdom.

Although many hoteliers are

worried about indications that

building costs are outstripping

inflation, THF expects to build

The Co-operative retail societies market share fell

last year as their volume growth

reached 12.4 per cent compared

per cent

with an overall growth of 13

But an analysis of first results

retail

It was the first indication of

by Mr Rocco Forte, deputy chief executive of Trusthouse Orleans, Philadelphia, Tulsa, Forte (THF), during a London conference on hotel development. If the economic climate trusted means outling the trust of the tr

tragedy", a fourth one said.
Why then are British Shipbuilders

closing Doxford? The short answer is that no one is buying them, after what BS describe as an intensive worldwide sales effort over the past year.

"It is all very well talking about the future", a BS spokesman said yesterday, but this is a business that is not viable, in the short term rather than the long term, and we have tight financial restraints that force us to reduce losses". To be fair, the troubles of the Doxford go back long before nationalization. "It is another of those cases of an engine

builder being controlled by a shipyard", one engineer said yesterday.
"The yard is interested only in engines for its own ships. Profits are ploughed back into the shipyard rather than the engine works. Compared with other British works, Doxford has been starved

of funds for years." It looks like the classic British tale of decline and fall—even to the Doxford's designer (long retired), an impish, irascible man in the true tradition of the quirky British inventor.

He retained faith in the opposed-piston

cost of between 525,000 and the same number in other 530,000 a bedroom.

THF is also planning extenThe first of the new Post

sive expansion abroad, particu-Houses is being built at Hay-

lands, the South and in Scot- have previously been under-

land, according to the Co-operative estimating the Co-operative share of the retail market.

dock Park and is due to be

completed later this year.
Three Post Houses are planned
for the next financial year, des-

pite the tourism decline so far

this year, which is partly due

to a drop in the number of

A company which helped

promote the conference gave

warning that the tendency of some London local authorities

to prevent new hotel building

could lead to a shortage of London hotel bedrooms and

deter overseas visitors from

This was revealed in a survey

by Horwath and Horwath, the

management consultants who

promoted the conference, to-

gether with the International Hotel Association. Mr Michael Montage, chairman of the

English Tourist Board, called for low-cost "budget" hotels

to be built on London's peri-phery along the new M25

On the new basis the operative share fell to 7

operative share fell to 7 per cent from 7.1 per cent in 1978

American tourists.

coming to Britain.

Trusthouse Forte to build nine new EEC chief

hotels in £40m expansion scheme

larly in the United States where

the only hotel directly under the THF banner is in New York, although THF owns the

TraveLodge franchised chain.

A hotel in Dallas, Texas, is due to open later this year and other projects are being negoti-

ment costs in the United States

by operating the new luxury

bracket hotels on long-term management contracts, taking

only a 10 per cent equity stake

Part of the group's thinking

is to gain greater awareness there for the THF name, to

help sell the British THF hotels

to the United States tourist. THF also hoped to expand

on the Continent and in the Far East, Mr Forte said, THF's aim

tive Union. The retail societies' overall

market share was nevertheless

with earlier estimates of 6.7 per

per ceut last year compared

Co-op's retail market share falls

the new Post Houses, usually is to have around 15 to 20 phery alowith around 100 rooms, at a hotels in the United States and motorway.

valveless design with the P-type (after Percy) and the J-type (after Jackson) through the Fifties and early Sixties when no one else was building anything like it. and that faith was justified with a 25-30 per cent market share and 25 licensees around the world.

When, in the late Sixties, owners wanted more powerful engines for everbigger ships Dexford had difficulty getting above 20,000 shp when rivals were producing 30-40,000. The big, extended crankshaft peculiar to the opposed-pistoa design suffered too much stress. Power requirements are falling again now though, with rising fuel costs: another factor working in the Doxford's favour.

But after years of neglect the licensees have all fallen away, the rolume is not there, and British Shipbuilders say they have not the funds.

It will be interesting to see what Mr Robert Atkinson makes of it if he takes over at BS in the summer. As managing director at Doxford briefly in the Sixties he tried to stop the rot, but lacked either time or the influence or both.

sees no

market tensions.

year.

threat of

oil shortage

Brussels, April 24.-Mr Guido

Brunner, the European Com-

munity's energy commissioner,

has given a warning against

panic buying of oil which could

drive prices up at a time of

world surplus. He said the pros-

pect of Iranian sales to the

Soviet block was not a worrying

one and in fact might reduce

Mr Brunner said the western

countries had extensive oil reserves and "the world oil

market isn't facing a shortage"

despite the drastic reduction in

Iranian output during the past

"We must, at all costs, avoid

a situation where there is con-

shortage. Thet's unlikely", he said. "Companies should be

avoid bulk purchasing (and) panic buying."

Such unwarranted competi-

tion for limited supplies could drive prices up, as it did less year. Mr Brunner said the

1979 doubling of prices was not

provoked by market forces, since there was no lack of oil.

Iran was beginning to sell oil to eastern Europe, Mr Brunner

said this merely reflected a

The Soviet block countries

were resorting more and more to the world market, as

should fear in the long run", Mr Brunner said. "If the eastern countries purchase this oil, they'll be less likely to seek

three-year trend.

Asked about reports that

The consumer mus

Michael Baily

"once and for all" assessment table system of support so that PO Box 100, before the end of 1981. This the Government will meet the London NW1 2DZ.

were

Sir, Those of us engaged in the Sir, Those of us engaged in the transfer of technology and the application of knowledge will do well to take note of Mr William Nortis' exhortation to "address society's major needs". (Kennth Owen's article of April 11). One might have expected however, that he would have rempered his enthusiasm for the power of large computer-based informalarge computer-based into maction systems by making some reference to the quality of the information which they will contain. Without this qualification such systems will fail to be tech-

move it and indeed, because he

This is not to say that I conput the record straight. Yours faithfully, R. O. HOWELL,

Secretary, 1 East Grinstead House, East Grinstead, West Sussex RH19 1UF.

State support for rail pensions From Mr A. G. Kentridge and assessment will have to be cost (but no more than the cost of the man based on a number of assump of the historic pensions' tions regarding inflation, inconcerned) vestment returns and the like

We believe that this would concerned—the taxpayer, deep concern felt by rail tions are almost bound to turn Government, the Railway Board and the fund member The result is that either too and pensioners. We therefore Government support for the much Government support will very much hope that there will alway pension funds is a be provided or too little. If he second thoughts about the there is too much support Bill then the pensioners will Your

Yours faithfully, A. G. KENTRIDGE. sions at the taxpayers expense. Charman,
If there is too little support, British Railways Superannus toric pensions"; the pensions the cost will fall on the Rail tion Fund; now being earned in the mod- ways Board, but if they are W. GOWA ways Board, but if they are W. GOWAN,

ern railway pension funds do unable to meet it, then it is. Chairman not clear where the money Committeen British Railways Superannua We feel that it would be

system of support based on a preferable to have an adjus- Euston Square,

Computer information

Mr W. Gowan

clauses.

Sir, The Transport Eill will be considered by the House of Lords snortly and I should like

to draw your attention to the

railway pension funds is a

well-established principle and

arises because of the financial

made in past years. The support

not qualify for support.

The problem is that the Transport Bill adopts a rigid

arrangements which

extends only to certain

waymen about the pensions out incorrect.

nologically, and still socially, acceptable. Information of indefinite quality is already available in indefinite abundance and the layman is becoming aware that "informa-tion" as such may only compound his confusion. For example, the broadcast media increasingly show us experts, each well intentioned but each with a different interpretation of current knowledge or, to use modern jargon, "working from a different data base". This only adds to the difficulties of finding solutions to our prob-lems. Society's reaction will increasingly be to discount, out of hand, the so-called "ex-perts"—or possessor of infor-mation—and unless some discipline is applied alongside Mr Norris' enthusiasm, the same London WIR 7AD.

fare lies in store for computer systems and the information they contain. Computer systems already exist which misinform because

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

over many years in the future

and in practice the assump-

receive unnecessary extra pen-

would come from.

insufficient arrention was given to the information before it was stored. Some others process out of date information because their masters are untwaite that their masters are un ware that Shipbuilders seeks more stant the best information is often aid. When I read the article ephemeral. If information re- was somewhat steems article called from computer was somewhat steems. epnemeral. If information re- was somewhat sleepy on the called from computer systems welling from South Wales u is to be useful and, more London I was wide awake a importantly, acceptable to the soon as I read in the next society whose needs it is society whose needs it is intended to serve then the intended to serve, then the engine on the Wear North-easinformation stored must be engine on the Wear North-easinformation stored must be engine on the Wear North-easinformation stored must be validated by a consensus trated on the Tyne at Wall opinion of those competent to send, with Sulzer and Stort make the necessary judgments. Werkspoor engines. make the necessary judgments.

The processes by which this can
be done are yet in their infancy
and not widely disseminated. One can but hope that the need for the application of these processes will be accepted by trend leaders such as Mr Norris, Otherwise he may one day have to face an infuriated band of Sioux Indians should their state of health ever be diagnosed by a computer system other than the one he has already provided! Yours faithfully, ANTHONY J. BARRETT.

Chairman & Chief Executive. Engineering Sciences Data Umit Ltd, 251-259 Regent Street,

Fair play for car parkers

Sir. While agreeing whole-heartedly with much of Hall-dora Blair's article on the problem of parking in your issue of April 12, perhaps I may refer you to a court report in The Times of May 2, 1966.

Miss Blair commented that the law would not condone the domestic output fell short of needs. "In terms of the balance on the world market, I smearing of a seat with marmalade in reprisal against the driver of that car parked across Robey the Marlborough Street magistrate, felt that forcing 1 East Gopen the quarterlight of a car East Grip parked across a defendant's West Susgarage entrance in order to April 21.

was "so annoyed and angry", spreading marmalade on the driver's seat was justified and the summons dismissed.

done such an action since courtesy on the road should be. everyone's motto-but just to

Engine's end disastrous

From the Canon Emeritus Durham Cathedral Sir, On Friday, April 18, Th Times gave some space to a article by your correspondent soon as I read in the fifth paragraph: It is intended to end production of the Doxford

recently yielded highly sat isfactory results, owing to the work of the research team Now, after menculous care, and some delays, it is an assured fact that the Doxford engine is capable of using appreciatively less fuel than any other marine engine in the world. This is a fact of amazingly great significance in view of the current energy problems which we must all face. May I be allowed to ask you, Sir, why at -this moment we are faced with ending production of the only British designed engine, and replacing it with two engines

of commental design ? I have known and admired the Doxford engine for 40 years. During the war years on the river Wear, we produced 271 per cent of the entire merchant shipping tonnage of the country. A large proportion of these ships was propelled by a Doxford engine, Research came perhaps somewhat late in time—now it has had highly discussful risely. One can only successful results. One can end hope that the matter is not allowed to rest there. The end-ing of the Doxford engine

would be a disaster of the first magnitude. Yours' faithfully, GORDON HOPKINS

TOOTAL

Changes strengthen the Group for the future

Preliminary results for the year ended 31st January 1980_

	1979/80 £ million	1978/79" £million
SALES	390.4	401.4
PROFIT before taxation	14.6	21.1
EARNINGS on Ordinary Share Capital	9.2	13.4
EARNINGS per Ordinary Share DIVIDENDS per Ordinary Share	5.2p 3.1415p	7.6p 3.0415p

Trading conditions particularly affected parts of our U.K. textile activities and major restructuring and changes in marketing policy have been initiated; the costs of these, and the closures consequent upon them, have been borne in the year's accounts, whilst the full benefits will not be felt until 1981/82.

The major disappointment has been in North America where the results of Ups in Downs, the retail business acquired last year, proved unsatisfactory, particularly in its menswear shops, but corrective action is beginning to yield results.

The outcome was also affected by the further strengthening of sterling which reduced the profitability of exports, increased the competitiveness of imports and reduced the sterling equivalent of profits of overseas companies. At the same time, the substantial increases in interest rates in many parts of the world, especially the U.K. and North America, have led to the much higher interest charge.

The Board is confident that the further development of the more profitable areas. will strengthen the Group for the future and provide a firm base on which we can build. Therefore, although the current year is doubtless going to be difficult for the whole of industry, the Board feels justified in recommending the maintenance of the final dividend at the same rate as last year.

The Report and Accounts will be posted to shareholders on 30th May 1980; and the Annual General Meeting will be held in Manchester on 25th June 1980.

Tootal Limited, 56 Oxford Street, Manchester M60 1HJ

and 72 per cent the previous year. This declining trend is in cent. The change is caused by a rebasing of Department of shows an increase in market shares in the North of England and a fall in parts of the Midline with earlier figures under Trade statistics which appear to stating the market share. have to ensure

Inspite of difficult trading conditions pre-tax profits reached \$12,741,000 -a substantial recovery on the position at half-way.

Though housing starts fell, there was brisk demand

Major redevelopment: half fletton brick production capacity, almost one quarter

Turnover of LB Landfill

LBC Ruesian dairy herd

Continuing research into treatment of kiln gases.

of total UK brick production. and volume of landfill material trebled.

now built up to 300 animals.

To The Secretary London Brick Company Limited.

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and or the Group Brochure...

for bricks in home improvement and refurbishment. Overall output up 5% Dividends up 15%. More efficient brick

handling and distribution through the LBC Strapak system.

plan to replace, over 15 years

Bricks for homes, homes for people

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Dunlop's depressing decade

he tenth anniversary of the Pirelli union is turned into a wake for Dunlop where 179 profits are at their lowest point since e link-up was heralded as the shape of ings to come for European mergers. For e third year in a row profits have fallen arply, and with none of the usual seasonal

arply, and with none of the usual seasonal cond half improvement operating profits lerge marginally lower at £64m. But with a fall in associate profits, chiefly must be Pirelli companies in South nerica, and a £13m jump to £47m in assing charges profits slumped ancing charges pre-tax profits slumped per cent to £29m. Worse still European ses are ungroupable for tax purposes shing up the tax charge to 97 per cent, I leave shareholders without a brass thing at the attributable level, after £13m 1978 before the £18m cost of Speke's

There is no shortage of explanations for grim outcome-sterling's strength has exports, interest charges are higher le strikes have cost the group £10m. But main problem is still the European operations with United Kingdom losses from £8m to £11m and Dunlop is not ecting the improved world tyre supply-land to move into its favour until the and half of 1930.

nce again it has been the overseas rations that have come to the rescue hing up their operating contribution a £48m to £62m, to fill the hole left he £16m fall to only £2m at home. Tight trols have cut working capital by £6m ch combined with unchanged capital iding of £54m has left gearing uniged at 76 per cent of shareholders is despite a £31m cash outflow during

ne market was expecting the worst so maintained dividend and an encouragfirst quarter trading report helped the es improve 3p to 58p. The main supmust be the 13 per cent yield.
ill with sales of almost £1,600m and the

est gearing it does not take much to sform the bottom line but in the absence miracle such as Michelin falling under is it will be years before there is a ectable return on capital employed.

use of Fraser

10 runs the npany?

ag put paid to Graham Ferguson y's ambitions last month Lonrho has led to direct some aggression at its st single portfolio investment, House aser. Lontho holds nearly 30 per cent raser's equity and its chairman, Mr d Rowland, is on the board of the tment stores group. But there is y no love lost between the two when no moves to get Fraser's final dividend ased from 5.7p a share gross to 8.5p. : Lonrho case is that it is acting on a of principle in trying to get a special tion to this effect before Fraser's I meeting next month; it simply feels Fraser could pay more given the tions during the years of dividend int, and that Fraser's dividend cover y be reduced to 1.87 times without

er stocks in the sector suggest that so; Debenhams dividend for instance ared 1.6 times. However, Fraser, which t increased its final dividend despite r trading year, will no doubt argue rudence is necessary in the face of the of pressures on high street spending will develop as the recession wears

onrho does get its resolution before eeting then it will need a 75 per cent n favour to win the day. Fraser shareare being asked to decide who the company-Lonrbo or the Fraser At the end of the day it is as simple

lding

ground

lering the problems of the engineer-idustry Vickers has done better than and figures indicate. True, profits are from £11.7m to £7.3m, largely because her interest charges and poor performof the office engineering and Australian companies, but Vickers scotchedrumours of a dividend cut by maintaining the payment and the shares gained 5p.

United Kingdom engineering side has been resilient enough to raise trading profits in spite of the engineering and transport strikes. This shows that rationalization measures are now showing through, though any real growth in lithographics will have to await the increase in capacity now in train: Finally total borrowings are only

For the future the sale of the reprographic interests will add £40m to cash resources and then, eventually, there will be compensation for the nationalized

shipbuilding and acrospace interests.

This could be worth perhaps 200p to 300p a share. At 120p the shares are on a fully taxed P/E ratio of 15 and yield 11.5

Grattan

Another

overhaul

Grattan's predicament was well leaked even so the official news of a profits plunge from £11.28m to £4.45m and a maintained dividend of 8.99p gross is even grimmer than it looks.

First, Grattan has failed to find other concerns willing to partner it, or take it under their wings. Second, it is now to undergo a second management overhaul within months of the first, and has still not found a new finance director to pilot it. Third, the figures are bad.

Breakneck sales expansion which has given Grattan 11 per cent of the mail order market also brought it overdrafts of £18m and a £15m five-year loan at one per cent over interbank to set against shareholders' funds of £53m. So interest charges last year ballooned from £646.000 to £3.70m and only an addition to pretax profits of £1.97m reflecting a change in accounting practice for VAT stopped pretax profits from falling below the stated £4.45m.

Grattan, after making no money in the second half of last year could well do the same again in the first half of this, as higher postal and interest charges bite. The second half could be different if computerizing and streamlining get a following wind from recovering demand and cheaper money.

Meanwhile, the 12.8 per cent yield is not much bigger than on Debenhams or Woolworth; simply a lot more risky, until Grattan's management can prove that it can come to terms with the company's fundamental difficulties. The shares are 70p.

Tootal

Coping with rationalization

Tootal has coped well with the upheavals of the past and current year, costing some £8m in reorganization and closure costs taken below the line, though the sale of the Van Allan retail chain—which released £16.5m— £7.3m over book value—has taken care of

So despite the 30 per cent fall in pretax profits to £14.6m and a £6.6m fall in retenions to £2.8m, Tootal ended the year to January 31 with net borrowings £10m lower at £55m and only a small drop in net worth to £125m.

Now Tootal has to cope physically with the rationalization which involves concentrating garment manufacture, and spinning on fewer sites and sorting out some of its textiles activities. In the United Kingdom 3,000 jobs are going and most of these fall in the 1980-81 financial year this at a time when the textile cycle is reaching its nadir.

Tootal made virtually no profit in the final quarter of 1979-80 when retailer destocking began in earnest. With interest rates still high and, sterling strong the first half may be awful; depending on better final quarter trading conditions, full year profits might show a small improvement.

Current cost profits of only £600,000 included £5m losses from units being closed. By 1981-82 as rationalization pays off, Tootal is confident the distinct pays off, is confident the dividend-up by 2 per cent gross—will be covered by current cost earnings. With the mostly healthy overseas operations providing nearly two-thirds of profits, a 16.9 per cent yield at 261p is attractive, enough to stay with the shares, but there is no hurry to buy.



The second prototype HSST train on a test run.

Technology

Levitation: answer to a Japanese transport problem

Kawasaki, Japan

From a somewhat makeshift (by Japanese standards) test centre reminiscent of those British films which sought to illustrate the country's wartime inventive genius, Mr Shimitsu Nakamura and a team of development engineers from Japan Air Lines have been working on a remarkable vehicle.

It is the high speed surface transport: (HSST) now going through its paces on a piece of reclaimed land a few miles from the centre of this bustling industrial city. It is the team's answer to the problem of drastically cutting travel times over land.

JAL initiated the research and development work on the HSST nine years ago. It used as a starting point work done in France and West Germany on a linear motor propelled electro-magnetic levitation system. The development work has now reached the point where more than 2,500 passengers have experienced a flight "at an alti-tude of 10 millimetres on HSST-02, operated by magnetic levi-tation with linear motor propul-sion", as the JAL boarding card

avs. The first unmanned test vehicle reached a speed of about 192 miles an hour more than two years ago and was quickly followed by the manned ver-sion which is able to carry a

"pilot" and eight passengers. In its development work JAL has adopted an aircraft engineering approach to the concept with the operational prototype vehicle's lines resembling that of a foreshortened DC8 aircraft. Levitation is produced by magnetic attraction.

Magnets fixed on the side of

the fuselage are drawn upward toward's anchor rails mounted on a track, producing the lift that raises the vehicle above the rail. Propulsion is through a linear induction motor which operates on the same principle as the conventional rotary elec-

into a flat shape.

Underlying the development was the desire to provide an effective and efficient means of effective and efficient means of ferrying passengers between Tokyo's new Narita inter-national airport and the city centre—a distance of about 41 miles. It was calculated that fravellers could be whisked between Tokyo and the airport in a remarkable 14 minutes.

That dream has yet to be ful-filled. Though the vehicle's low noise level, clean operation and low energy consumption are themselves an attraction, the en-tire project in page in correction and the officials of the transport ministry, but the hope and expectation is that the present difficulties will be themselves an attraction, the en-tire project is now in some

Peter Hill

doubt. However, JAL is going abead with designs for a third pre-production prototype which, if all goes well, will require the construction of a new test track of 15 killometres at a cost esti-mated at 25,000m yen (about £45m).

One of the factors influencing the Japanese transport minis-try's reluctance to commit it self wholeheartedly to the JAL project is the work being done by engineers of Japan National Railways, which has followed similar lines and has been carried out over a much longer

The railway engineers started work on their magnetically levitated motor car in 1962 and their diligence paid off shortly before last Christmas when their prototype established a new world speed record for a rail vehicle of about 323 miles an hour.

Earlier this year work began on the design and development of a passenger carrying proto-type, testing of which should type, testing of which should begin this autumn. The full programme of development testing is estimated to last three to four years.

The Japanese railways test version flies along the rail at a height of 10 centimetres above the track on cushion created by the force of repulsion between two magnets. So far the railways have poured in an estimated 23,000m yen and a further 100,000m yen will be needed before the project reaches the point of being commercial.

JAL refuses to say officially how much has been spent on its HSST project, but it has receive dsome aid from the government. Last year the trans-port ministry agreed to provide a further sum. That has now been carried over into the new financial year and will be paid only on condation that the airline agrees to form a research and development corporationoutside its own operationswhich will embrace steel-makers, electrical machinery companies and other major industrial concerns.

It appears that there is a fair amount of political infighting between the air-line and the officials of the

Predictably Mr Nakamura and his team are less than enthusiastic about imparting all the

technical information they have

assembled over the years to a larger and more diverse group-ing. But if that is the price of going further, the indications are that JAL will pay it. The stakes in both cases are

high and great prestige is attached to both ventures. In the background the designers and the engineers are beaver ing away drawing up their next programme of development tests, while company executives and politicians search for an sacceptable agreement. Meanwhile, the JAL team

scored a propaganda coup earlier this month during the state visit by King Gustav of Sweden. The king had indicated his wish to travel on the railways' world famous "bullet train", but the uncertainty about the timing of the now traditional one-day national railway strike meant that the royal wish went unfulfilled. Instead he went for a flight

on the HSST at Kawasaki, where JAL executives, never back-ward at coming forward, made it quietly known that if ever Sweden were to adopt the HSST it would cut the journey time for the 25 miles between Stockholm's Arlanda airport and the Swedish capital to only ten

Policies that hindered the car makers

Is Sir Michael Edwards, chairman of BL, about to achieve a long sought after period of labour relations stability or is he facing continued disruption in his group? in his group?

If the former, he will be praised for his tough, nononsense tactics in breaking down union and worker opposition. If the latter, public opinion will turn once more against what it sees as the idle, strike-

The public has become used to seeing the motor industry
—and BL in particular—
portrayed in such black and
white terms—bad management versus an anarchic workforce. But the truth, of course, is that the British motor industry's record of chronically bad industom, not the cause, of a de-clining industry, one which has been the object of decades of government tinkering and inter-

Over the last 35 years successive administrations have formulated policies in the pursuit of social, economic and political ends that have at best contributed to the industry's frustrations and may have helped to bring it to the brink of extinction.

This thesis is supported by Peter Dunnett, assistant pro-fessor of economics at Royal Roads Military College and the University of Victoria, Canada. In his book on United Kingdom on his book on United Kingdom police towards the motor industry* published this week he says: "Overall, government policy dealing with the United Kingdom, motor industry between 1945 and 1979 was a failure." failure ".

More specifically, he argues that many factors have contributed to bad labour relations in the industry over many years, most of them government-inspired. Government policres aimed at increasing ex-ports, regional balance, labour reform, incomes control and so on have all contributed to poor

labour relations.

"Similarly if one looks for the causes of poor product ranges, dated designs, obsolete capital, unsatisfactory management and all the other prob-lems of the industry, govern-ment policy is frequently a factor at some time in the past and frequently, as with labour relations, an important factor."
The history of the United Kingdom car industry since the end of the Second World War is punctuated with a series of attempts by governments to stimulate it, restrain it, reform it or use it as an economic regulator. Because it is a huge consumer of capital and labour and is an international industry producing goods that everybody wants, it has been an ideal tool for governments in shaping eco-nomic strategy. Sadly, Mr Dunnett says, much

of the influence exerted on the

tion of ambitious export quotas-in 1946 to the end of the social contract in 1979 many unfav-ourable policies were intro-duced.

Stop-go demand management policies improved the country's balance of payments and forced more cars into the export markets, but also "reduced industry profits, discouraged investigations of the payments of the paymen ment, worsened labour relations, emphasized the short-run basis of exports and, for the long run, weakened the motor industry and made it less com-

petitive internationally". Regional policy introduced in 1959, was another Whitehall idea that did no good to the motor industry. "By forcing motor industry. "By forcing a geographical dispersion of already too fragmented ustry, efficiency and ernational competitiveness industry, international

At the same time "an un-suitable and fractious labour cohort" arrived on the motor industry scene intent, in many people's minds, on exploiting car factory unrest and disatisfaction for political ends. Failure to reform labour

relations successfully (instead, reform aggravated labour relations) had negative consequences". Mr Dunnett says. The turning point for the United Kingdom motor industry. is the early 1970s, British cars were no longer internationally competitive, the Japanese were expanding their industry rapidly and imports into the United

Kingdom were rising fast.

"By 1973 the balance of trade in cars, which for so many years had shown a healthy surplus was just about in balance. The long-run consequences of a quarter of a century's use of the United Kingdom motor industry as an economic regulator had finally

come home." There followed the two olitical dramas of the decade, which affected the motor industry. First came the illfated Ryder Plan for British Levland and then the rescue of Chrysler (UK) by a reluctant government intent on political expediency and saving jobs rather than long-term economic

With the motor industry now less important, Mr Dunnett foresses a lessening of government involvement. But he predicts that as machines begin to replace men in the car ment involvement. assembly operation and as the United Kingdom's share of world markets continues to decline, that there will be an inevitable contraction of the workforce. The result—a grim prospect for an industry which has had a generation of in-stability—is that bad labour relations will remain as a plague in the nation's car

Edward Townsend

*The Decline of the British industry by politicians was undesirable. From the introducDunnett; Croom Helm, £10.95.



Interim Statement

The Directors have pleasure in presenting an Interim Report for the six months ended 31st December, 1979 (unaudited).

31st Dec., 1979	31stDec.,1578
£'000	£'000
7,783	5,942
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Profits at the interim stage have more than doubled and the Directors have declared a Dividend of 0.5p per share, an effective increase of 37% after adjustment for the capitalisation issue in November 1979.

A consistent pattern of prime property development, in part forward sold, has now been established in diversified and sizeable schemes involving commercial, retail and industrial projects.

These developments, together with a significant contribution from our Housing Division, will substantially reflect through in the current and future trading profits.

It is anticipated that the full year's profits will be in the region of £3m, adding substantially to shareholders' funds and enabling further expansion whilst maintaining reasonable gearing.

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- Production of new whisky was adverse effects of outside strikes,
- maintained at 1978 level despite the but increased overheads resulted in a 4% reduction in pre-tax profit to £840,000:
- Total dividend increased by 10% to 5.36p per share.

£3 million from £1.8 million

announced last year.

Group Reserves increased to over

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Business Diary: Expatriates in the desert

Arab Emirates, Thursday refrigerated against idday sun, the car sur-id yet an other in what I like an interminable of sand dunes and the-British radio station ced that it was time for nedy spot " the British ambassador

the British ambassacot abbouring Saudi getting farching orders. Ican ting diplomatically, if the right word, towards and the gulf, which ew hundred yards away ked with what seemed all the world's navies on tweet, that may sound a stirring example of eason pluck. axon pluck.

perhaps it was. At any le comedy spot turned be a scratchy Flanders and recording of some-alled in the Desert. British community in the

some 17,000 strong, by largest of the middle foreign nationalities have chosen to land in il-rich brotherbood of ions, though one should at that the Indian and nkan immigrants, who to cogs of life turning. the natives almost

British "expets", one es, are the only section UAE community to o Flanders and Swann night in Abu Dhabi, I up in conversation a questions about the of Hormuz, which, as all ritish newspaper readers s the most sensitive spot globe, about events in t the royal house of hich, if BBC's Panorama



all that with T. E. Lawrence in my view the only Briton who really understood the Middle East and the Arabs."

is to be believed, is a house built upon sand, and about how the Americans are reputed to have develloped a new mine to blockade Iran which, if unactivated, would sink without

activated, would sink without trace within a year.

The expat target of these questions paused, took in our surroundings, an opulent openair mightclub on the shores of the Gulf, and said with an exasperated expression: "It all seems pretty peaceful here". Next day the big American car arrived to take us on the three-hour drive to Jabel Dhanna, a journey through the most primitive of landscapes. Every quarter mile or so you see the rusting corpse of a car—usually: a Mercedes or Volvo. -usually a Mercedes or Volvo. They remind one of the buffalo skulls by the side of wagon tracks in hoary old.

Straits of Hormuz,

westerns.

through which most of the West's oil passes, are lost far to the south, along with a less publicized threat to the peace of the Middle East, the islands off Iran's coastline which she holds in contention with Iraq. Besides the consular officials who see it their job to know such facts, the expat community

aloof from these, matters. Towards Oman, the traffic Towards Oman, the traffic becomes heavier, punctuated by heavy lorries carrying industrial loads. Of the cars that we see, none are British. Petrol at 45p a gallon does not breed economy and there is no reason why it should.

Jabal Dhaina, a growing petrochemical complex, looms above the horizon; pumping smoke into the washed water-colour sky. For some reason I

colour sky. For some reason I thought of the ICI works on

The British community pene-

trates the UAE in every direc-tion. Even at the airport, United Kingdom passport holders receive preferential treatment. The British Ambas-sador has arrived for the open-ing of a new hotel; actually the The guide books tell you a lot hotel. He wants to speak to the local British community, ething he feels he has not

"It's all very colonial", meone says. "It is a very someone says. "tight community." Another expat responds when I start the endless round of questions formulated in Lon-

done for some time.

don: "It's the media-you would never hear about all this if it were not for the media.". Perhaps not. It must be difficult to feel insecure in Abu Dhabi.

I find the British here more a puzzle than anybody else. Two advertisements out of the Gulf Times: "Complete model railway layout, British steam landscaped baseboard, urgent sale"; and, a marriage " to take place at the British Embassy, Doha, on April 30". They should have been written in

should have been written in Surrey.

The English tend to be colonial in the purest sense, existing for each other, taking little interest in world affairs, hoping one day to return home with a handsome bank balance. Such hopes are usually in vain, except for the highly skilled people who would earn large fees anywhere in the world.

Abu Dhabi, for those who

Abu Dhabi, for those who want to work in the Middle East is the plum posting. It has one great advantage over its neighbours, which the British love most dearly—alcohol is not banned although there are resabout places like the United Arab Emirates, but like most such publications they are selective with their advice. It is, for example, common

knowledge that taxi fares—taxis heing one of the main forms of transport for Europeans herehave to be haggled over. What

the guide books do not say is how to haggle.

For the record there is no more humiliating experience than manually to walk up to a taxi and name what seems like a well-over-the-odds price only to be a beauthed to score by the a well-over-the-odds price only to be laughed to scorn by the driver, who then points out the vehicle behind. When the second driver begins to adopt the same artitude the neophyte visitor may be forgiven for wondering whether he has somehow grasped the wrong end of the stick. The trick is: do not haggle outside the taxi—get in before you start arguing the toss.

toss.
At least I have not yet been subjected to the experience which a colleague of mine had which a toneague or mine had in this fair land some years ago. Having paid handsomely and in advance for a hire car to take him round Abn Dhabi for the day, he called on the driver to make for the airport where plane was due to take off

in less than an hour.
Not until some 20 minutes or so of hectic driving had elapsed did my colleague realize that the driver was taking him on a road which led into the desert, not towards the airport. And the word the driver kept inton-ing was "B-A-K-S-H-E-E-S-H".

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Group of 10 agree on need to switch IMF resources

-Brit Ministers' move to recycle oil wealth

bank governors of the Group of 10 countries yesterday agreed that the rescurces of the International Monetary Fund would prog have to be used to a greater extent than in the past in recycling the excess wealth of the oil-producing nations. By Michae Transport

After a meeting of the group, Herr Manfred Lahstein, the state secretary in the West Gerran Finance Ministry and chairman of the Group of 10 deputies, said that delegates had agreed the IMF should be up to the task because it had very satisfactory liquidity

position at present. There was no need for the Fund to seek additional resources although if these should become necessary at some time in the future they would have to come to a large extent from those few countries in the world with a balance of payments

The Fund has had to turn to the problem of financing the halance of payments deficits of the non-oil-developing countries which are now expected to reach \$67.500m (£29.867m) this year from \$54,900m in 1979 and \$36,200m in 1978.

Shell UK yesterday said that it estimated it would pay a total of £9,500m in taxes on its North

Sea oil revenue between 1981

This did not include payments

taken in kind by the Government on the 12! per cent royalty. Of the £9.500m some £7.500m would be paid in petroleum revenue tax (PRT), the remainder in a contract to the tax of the same tax of the tax of tax of

mainder in corporation tax. The

take from PRT had increased by about £700m as a result of

the increase in the rate from 60 per cent to 70 per cent and changes in the timing of pay-

ments, instituted in the last

By Nicholas Hirst

interim committee meets. The Fund itself is keen to take on of imbalance. recycling functions but aware of the pitfalls that could be involved.

could lead to the IMF having expected to tell the interim one day to engage in borrowing committee that the interest transactions to increase its rates attached to the Witter-

balance of payments troubles. Yesterday M Jacques de Larosière, the managing direc- deficit countries, could be subtor of the IMF, gave an indica-tion of the line he will take at It is

today's meeting. He stressed that the Fund would lend to countries as part of the recycling process in connexion with programmes to stabilize their economies and he advocated the IMF handling only part of the borrowing requirement of countries in difficulty. Not only would this conserve fund resources but it

would encourage other sources to provide financial support. M de Larosière defended the developing countries by saying

provision has been made for

of international companies, was

\$476m last year compared with a loss of \$26m in 1978.

although provision has been tax.

Shell's N Sea taxes '£9,500m over five years'

PRT at the end of this year year, and that they would not or the beginning of next. No raise substantially in real terms

made by Esso, Shell's partner in all its fields currently in production. This is because of different accounting treatments.

Net income for Shell UK, part

Net income for Shell UK, part

of the Royal Dutch Shell group be followed by rises in taxes.

The role the Fund will play the conditionality attached to Bank. However, speaking for in recycling is due to be dis-cussed today when the IMF's of bringing about structural said the delegates attending changes in economies in a state

However it would appear that the IMF sympathizes with involved.

Although liquidity may be adequate at present, recycling are too stringent. The Fund is scope for assisting countries in veen facility, introduced after the first oil crisis but hardly ever used to finance small

> It is also expected to suggest liberalizing the scope of no longer to be expected this countries to borrow in respect week. of their quota obligations and that fund assistance could be supplemented by aid flows. It is also thought that M de Larosière will suggest that the Fund play a more active role in simple lending before the imposition of economic policy conditions is required.

Among delegates urging a greater role for the IMF in recycling yesterday was Herr Karl-Otto Pöhl, the president of the West German Federal

Shell expects to start paying match the after-tax income last the Brent complex, Fulmar and

provision has been made for over the next three or four Shell's share of North Sea pro-payments in its 1979 accounts years because of the increasing duction will be 15 per cent in

Its exploration and develop-ment effort, however, is con-tinuing. Capital spending in the

yesterday's meeting agreed that the Fund and the World Bank should retain their separate identities, with the IMF specifically concerned with handling balance of payments deficits and invested with the power to impose policy decisions.

The Group of 10 meeting also examined the remains of the kets. project to set up a substitution account at the IMF after Wednesday's disclosure by Herr Hans Matthöfer, the West Ger-man Finance Minister, that real progress on this issue was

Herr Lahnstein said the ministers agreed that the account should contribute to the stability of the international monetary system and that the studies must take into account the leginimate interests of the developing countries. These had been particularly critical of plans to use IMF gold to guarantee the account.

the "Flags" gas system from Brent. It is estimated that

Shell has agreed with the

state-owned British National Oil

Corporation to bid jointly for licences west of Shetlands to be

Peter Norman

Chemical restructure urged

By_John_Huxley The European Commission was urged yesterday to encourage the restructuring of the western European chemicals industry, needed if it is to retain its preeminence in world mar-

Mr Iain Steel, general mana-ger of BP Chemicals corporate planning department, accused the commission of taking an ambivalent attitude towards the industry's attempts to reorganize itself on an efficient, com-

peritive basis. "Our friends in Brussels have really got to stop taking this view. They should encourage industry restructuring to face external threats or accept that the European chemicals industry can no longer mainain its num-

ber one position in the world"; Mr Steel said. He told a conference on chemical feedstocks in the 1980s, held in London, that direct intervention by the commission was neither desirable

nor necessary. However, it should take a "mature view" when ap-"mature view" when ap-proached on restructuring. In the past, the commission had been anxious to ensure that re-organization did not run contrary to community competition

Mr Steel said that the commission should act in a prompt and vigilant manner to protect chemicals from foreign dump-ing. He also questioned the commission's benevolent treatment of some rather well. developed developing nations offered in the Government's and the "special position" seventh round, occupied by the East German

Shell's partnership with Esso will continue in the North Sea, where all fields currently on producers. By comparison with EEC law. American anti-trust legislation Despite rising oil production North Sea this year will be production are located. Shell is in the years to 1985, Mr John Raisman, chairman and chief executive, believed that profits will include the continued devethis year would be unlikely to lopment of the Cormorant fields, the British continental shelf. was enlightened and more liberal, Mr Steel said. At present, western Europe is the largest producer of chemicals

FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

Investors stay away as Middle East fears worsen

market vesterday.

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The worsening situation in Saudi Arabia and Iran leddealers to discuss the possibility of an eventual confrontation between the United States and Russia. Further gloom was cast by the NUR, which decided, surprisingly, to reject the British Rail offer of a 20 per cent pay increase. This was the final straw for investors who scuttled back to the sidelines to wait for the next bit of good news.

However, the market was able to take some comfort from another long list of companies reporting, news and trading statements, Dunlop allowed jobbers to breath a sigh of relief, with some full year figures up to expectations, accompanied by a bullish forecast. This pushed the share price up to 58p as another 500,000 shares were sold to Far East interests following further "active"

inquiry. The figures inspired a few bargain hunters elsewhere. But buying was short lived, and while prices remained steady in late afternoon the FT Index closed 0.4 down at 434.8.

In gilts, a continuing bout of indigestion amid rumours of several new "raps" being announced today, proved all too much. Prices were lower right across the board as dealers turn boosted Fashion & General reported small selling. The Investments with a holding of general feeling was that investments, 18p to 213p in a thin

The latest cots in United Equities again failed to take States prime rates had no real

In shorts, prices fluctuated all day but were £1 lower at the close, while in longs falls

Manoeures in the publishing world ... Howard & Wyndham, which passed the preference dividend in January, is rumoured to be selling its paperback division to Huni a subsidiary of Reed Inter-national. Wondham's ordinary shares were unchanged last

ranged between 14 and 14 with a lot of interest diverted to the latest rully in the United States bonds marker Unilever again encountered further heavy selling in blue chips following its recent bearish annual report. The shares slipped another 2p to 430p. Others to lose ground included 107 a 257c. Clean 100. ICI at 362p Glaxe at 202p. Fisons at 282p and Beechams at 117p. Only Courtaulds could

decision to give Mr C. Y. Tung's Overseas Containers the all-clear to bid lifted Furness Withy 27p to 498p. This in

End-of-account considerations tors were being forced to sell market. But a spokesman and problems at home and over- stock, as a result of the squeeze. F & G said the group had and problems at home the on cash and high interest rates. plans to sell its holding. United in exergite form f

markets group Safeway ms then: debut, at £13 yesterd and immediately sparked speculation that they might on the acquisition trail A co left most of the major sup-markets easier. Tesco dipt 4p to 57p, Samsbury 8p to 25

and Associated Dairies 60 The stores, the recent prol doingrading from MFI c mined to take its toll with a shares rading another 2p at (Discussed shed 3p at 3Sp. Har Queensway were also 2p lov at 1939; at sympathy, we mixed feelings over the rep from Grattan Warchouses I the shares unchanged at 7 after 77p. Rumbings ft Lembe 2p off at 34p that was after a bigger divide from House of France knock the latter 4p at 135p.

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Year ended 31st December	1979	1978
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Turnover	272.2	246.9
Exports	35.9	32.8
Profit before tax	36.2	30.4
Profit after tax	28.2	20,0
Capital expenditure	31.3	26.5
Shareholders' interest	160.5	112.1
Earnings per share	20.9p	15.7p
Dividends per share	5.0p	3.7P

Growth continues Record profits for fifth successive year

'The effect of strikes in the U.K. meant effectively the Group operated on a ten-month year ... once again industrial action is going to prevent us from fulfilling our potential ... we shall make every effort to minimise the damage - we continue to do everything we can to expand and ... drive the Group forward.

Peter Goodall (Chairman)

Other salient points from the Chairman's circulated statement

Although a number of factors, many completely outside our control, had an adverse effect on our performance, 1979 continued our growth and profits advanced to record levels for the fifth

We continued in 1979 as we have in past years to do everything we can to expand, update and modernise our business. Our efforts in research and development have been maintained.

[] As our home markets decline our exports become more and

more vital to us ... It is a matter of utmost gravity and concern that the rate of inflation should be brought down to enable us to compete in foreign markets with nations whose rate of inflation is very often less than one-third of ours.

We have indeed a lot going on ... we are committed to the long term growth and expansion of the Group; we are anticipating capital expenditure at the rate of some £40m a year over the next three years to meet the growth which we see before us.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on the 14th May in London. Copies of the Report and Accounts can be obtained from the Secretary, Genefax House, Topion Park Road, Sheffield S10 3FJ.

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Amai Power Eng (F)	69.4(64.7)	1.5(6.7)	5.77(38.44)	3.08(2.9)	3.7	6.16(5.89
Anchor Chemical (F)	14.0(11.3)	0.78(0.42)	17.7(9.0)	2.92(2.53)	7/6	5.3(4.63)
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Dunlop (F)	1,569(1,487)	29.0(46.0)	—(9.1)	2.65(2.65)	·	5.3(2.65)
Ellis & Goldstein (F)		1.6(1.8)	4.7(6.1)	`-13().	4.6	2.3(2.1)
Flight Resuelling (F)	15.8(11.0)	2.4(1.9)	17.5(23.9)	1.95()	2/7	3.1(2.4)
Francis Summer (F)	16.2(15.1)	0.35(0.69)	1.88(1.48)	0.1x0.291		0.65(0:79
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Haden Carrier (F)	202.0(189.0)	3.78(2.74)	26.9(17.0)	6.75(5.70)	20/6	10.0(8.70
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H. Perry (F)	115.0(87.5)	4.9(3.7)	37.0(34.3)	4.0(2.0)	1/7	()
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Maxims (F)	2.31(2.30)	0.08(0.06)	22.7(15.6)	6.0(5.5)	· · · · · ·	()
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Shareholders' funds

Capital employed

amalgamated power engineering

MANUFACTURERS OF DIESEL ENGINES, STEAM TURBINES, COMPRESSORS, GEARS, PUMPS & VALVES

Extracts from the 1979 Report and Accounts £'000 Turnover 69,483 64,771 Trading profit including associates 6,940 3,279 Interest paid - net 160 1,723 Profit before tax and extraordinary item 6,780 Profit after tax - earnings Extraordinary item - redundancy payments -383 Earnings per share 5.77p Dividend per share including tax credit 8.8p

Net assets per share £1.81 The poor results of 1979 are a reflection of the impact of many factors that were largely outside the Group's previous trading experience. In particular, the strikes that bedevilled the whole of British Industry, including the internal industrial dispute a the Bedford Division and the lorry drivers' strike in the first six months of the period, followed by the Engineers' national strike in the second half of the period, seriously interrupted output, which was only partly made up in the last three months of the year. The actual loss of output was approximately £10 million which resulted in a loss of £2.5 million of profit. These interruptions to output led to a considerable build up of stocks and work-in-progress necessitating a rapid build up of borrowing which together with the very high interest rates, caused a large increase in the cost of financing

Having regard to the current levels of output and the current state of the order book. the Board takes an optimistic view of the future and therefore is recommending a final dividend of 3.08p per share to maintain the gross dividend for 1979 at the same level. as for the previous year.

Copies of the Report and Accounts for the year will be sent to shareholders on 15 May

scores high with energy stocks

* Near 12% growth in 6 months to 29 February.

concentration in energy stocks

major contributors to this result.

* International spread and

* Net purchasers in Far East an Australia and in Britain.

£'000

25,244

24,789

32,656

* Total assets at 29 February



Copies of the Interim Report and a

Linfood Holdings Payout held as Amalg Power falls With rights issue With rights issue Will include a Carrefour of That develop. That develop the payout held as Amalg Power falls To £1.5m By Our Financial Staff Amalgamated Power Engering's profits pr

Cash and carry and super-urkets group Linfood Hold-is is asking shareholders for 1.5m via a rights issue to luce short-term borrowings d finance expansion. The terms, unveiled yester-

y, are one new ordinary share every four existing shares i one new share for every nominal of the group's 12 cent loan stock 1988/90, new shares will be offered

on the announcement Linfood res dropped 8p to 134p, ering the discount of the its price to 12 per cent and sing the company on its sting 33.7 million shares at

infood's last rights issue five years ago when it ed just over £1m. Since then ias been on a fairly conint acquisition trail culming with the £34m agreed bid Wheatsheaf Distribution and ling, in May 1978 ver the past two years Linhas spent £15m on expan-

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will include a Carrefour of 70,000 square feet. That develop-ment will cost an estimated £9m over the next two years. In addition it has tendered for another district centre in East London, and has an option on a Croydon site—where a planning inquiry starts in the autumn — and another in southern England.

Mr David Linnell, the manag-ing director, said; "We thought it was the right time to ask for more capital. We have been busy reorganizing after the Wheatsheaf merger and this is time for another stage in our development."

Backing the cash call is a promise of not less than £13.5m profits for the year to the end of April against £10.8m last time. After a 25 per cent rise in interest charges to £4m, pre-tax earnings will come out at least a quarter better at £9.5m On those figures Mr Linnell intends paying a gross final of 10.714p which will be paid on the new shares. With the interim, the total will go up from 14.12p to 15.7143p a share.

from 14.12p to 15.7143p a share, from 14.12p to 15.7143p a share, sed profits, bank facilities property disposals as a runs 254 stores, 45 warehouses, lt of rationalization 87 cash and carry outlets and fine hypermarkets, hopes to give five hypermarkets, hopes to give a detailed breakdown of earnings. By then it will have put the 11 companies which it now

Amalgamated Power Engineering's profits fell from £6.7m to £1.5m last year but the group has maintained the total dividend as a sign of confidence, and the shares, already discounting bad news, held steady at 77p.

The directors said yesterday that a strike at their Bedford division and the lorry drivers' strike hit first-half earnings, and the second-half was affected by the engineering strike.

These "seriously" disrupted output which was partly made up in the final three months of last year, but cost £2.5m in lost profits.

Short term deposits of £2.8m

ended the year as borrowings of £5.6m and the group's interest charge rose from £160,000 to £1.7m. This brought trading profit, already down by half, to a pre-tax figure 77 per cent lower at £1.5m. However, the directors said that with current levels of outpur and the state of the order hook, they feel optimistic for the future and have recom-mended a 4.4p gross final giving

an unchanged total for the year

Financial

By Our Financial Staff

Profits of International Thomson Organisation, the Toronto-based parent company of Times Newspapers Ltd, rose from £136.7m before tax in 1978 to £165.2m last year, despite a sharp increase in the losses from United Kingdom parional newspapers because of national newspapers because of the costs of the closure of The Times and The Sunday

dom national newspapers in-creused from £1.3m in 1978 to E39.3m last year, on sales reduced from £56.3m in £13.1m. However, these losses were very largely offset by an increase in the profits from Thomson's oil and gas operation, which rose from £7.5.5m to £103m, after the payment of petroleum revenue tax (which was more than doubled at £73.3m as against £32.4m).

By Our Financial Staff
Martlet, the DIY division of

collapsed toy giant Dunbee Combex Marx, may be sold to its executive directors under a plan unveiled last night.

are involved in an offer that will be made by a consortium of City institutions for the

issued share capital of the com-

Five directors said that they

was a setback in publishing, where profits fell from £7.2m to £2.5m. Losses on the United King-In all, profits after deduction

of perroleum revenue tax, but before other taxes and interest charges, declined from £114.1m to £98.7m. After crediting 54m for taxes provided for in previous years,

and now no longer required, the main tax charge has declined from 558.5m to £48.9m. Attributable earnings, in consequence, amount to £41.4m, as ing director and chief executive.

Those involved are Mr Peter

Lewis, Mr Basil Feldman, Mr Stephen Fearson-Wilson, Mr

John Charlton and Mr George

International Thomson profits up

The travel side also did well, with profits increasing from £17.3m to £21.2m, on sales up by about a third from £152.1m to £205.5m.

The United Kingdom regional newspapers showed a marginal improvement, with profits up from £13m to £13.7m, but there was a setback in publishing, or for the content of the c per convertible share has now been declared. The ordinary dividends will absorb £2.6m in all, and the convertible dividends £16.6m.

Mr Michael Brown, formerly finance director of Thomson British Holdings (the principal united Kingdom subsidiary of International Thomson), has been appointed a joint deputy managing director of the com-

Directors may buy Dunbee unit

pany, which DCM intended to float off as a separate group had it not gone into receiver-floated in the autumn of 1979 floated in the autumn of 1979 had it not been for the problems of its parent."

Martlet operates from 50 locations and employs 650 peo-

value of between 55m and Burnett.
Mr Lewis, chief executive of £6m
Martlet, said: *The market ness. £6m has been put on the busi-

European accountancy federation formed

Two large European account ancy firms have joined the conancy firms have joined the continental associates of Arthur Young, McLelland Moores to form (with Arthur Young's offices on the continent), a new European federation of accounting firms to be known as AMSA.

The practices of the two additions to the European records.

tions to the European network

—Moret & Limperg/Moret
Gudde Brinkman of The Netherlands, and Schitag Schwaebische Treuhand of West Germany—will be merged with those of existing associates, so that in most cases there will be one prominent member firm operating in cach of the 15 countries in which AMSA is represented.

Negotiations are in progress for the addition of other prominent national firms to the AMSA network, but these will be within countries where AMSA is

The new federation will have its headquarters in Amsterdam. and will begin operations on

Members of AMSA will employ some 5,500 people, and will have total annual revenues of more than \$225m.

Steady rise continues at Haden Carrier

By Peter Wilson-Smith Haden Carrier increased pre-tax profits by 38 per cent to £3.78m in the year to December 31 and remains optimistic that the steady improvement seen in recent years can be maintained in 1980. Group turnover rose by 7 per cent to £202m in 1979.

The balance sheet has been strengthened, and Haden has taken out a new f7m mediumterm loan facility to allow flexibility in the future, although Haden has no specific use for it at the moment. Trading profits in 1979 from the main United Kingdom marthe main United kingdom market were 12 per cent lower at £3.5m, reflecting pressure on margins, on a maintained level of busineess in building ser-

vices activities. In the United States, where Haden produces metal finishing and conveyor equipment for the automotive industry, profits also slipped from the excep-tional level seen in 1978. But

1980 looks quite promising Up 10p at 117p, the shares yield 12.2 per cent after a 13 peer cent increase in the gross

00 square feet operated by comprises on one accounting st stores like Tesco. Asda Sainsbury, Linfood was resents 38 per cent of the business with a selling area of 2.8m square feet. basis.

Anglo American Gold Investment Company Limited

Extracts from the review by the Chairman Mr. J. Ogilvie Thompson

ationalization helps oover recovery

astic rationalization at er last year has turned a ous first-quarter deficit 619.000 into a profit of m in the three months to h 31.

wever, the group conl vesterday that a sales
if just over £1m to £51m
ed a "significant" ne drop despite fairly int conditions in the stic appliance market. : figures coincided with uarter results from American parent, holds almost 71 per cent United Kingdom group's try shares, showing a 40 ent rise in net profits to (about £3.2m).

s of Hoover of the States rose 18 per cent t over \$215m during the ziency moves made by r UK last year in a bid erse a five-year profits included reducing the orce by almost 2,000 to

£5.3m previously and £20.4m in 1975.

The United Kingdom group said yesterday that last year action was beginning to take effect and that with improved labour relations the outlook was more encouraging.

A problem, however, continued to be the group's failure to meet demand for washing machines and vacuum cleaners. There are fears that this demand could begin to evaporate later in the year as consumer spending comes

under pressure. group's hopes rest sub stantially on the new range of automatic washing machines recently introduced in the United Kingdom. Hoover plans several new model launches in the United Kingdom and over-

in the next few months. The group said that profits from Australia continued to improve significantly but the 50 per cent stake in Hoover Holland produced a loss of £191.000 -year profits last time profit of £312,000.

18 months 12 months

to 31st to 30th

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39;841

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75,081

3,138

1,489

27.8p

18.5p

10.5p

2,215

923

previously and it is worth noting that this is the first time that Amgold's earnings have exceeded R100 million. These results clearly reflect the greatly increased gold prices prevalent during 1979.

The gold mines' working revenue from gold increased by 46.7 per cent to R5 666.3 million, which also reflects the 3.3 per cent. average appreciation in the value of the rand in US dollar terms and a drop of 0.2 per cent. in gold production. While the total capacity of the gold mining industry continued to expand in 1979 with an increase of 6.9 per cent. in ore milled, this was more than offset by a 7.5 per cent, decrease in average grade, to 8.19 grams a ton, which resulted in a marginal reduction of gold produced from 704.5 tons to 702.8 tons. This trend is likely to continue as the higher gold prices enable mines to turn to account lower-grade ore, thereby extending their working lives.

Equity earnings rose by 83 per cent. to R127.9 million for the year

ended February 29 1980 and dividends distributed more than

doubled to 525 cents a share. The value of investments rose to

R2 246 million as against R1 103 million. Both earnings and the

value of investments substantially exceeded any figures achieved

The slower rate of increase in working costs per ton milled, which had been a feature of the previous year, continued during 1979; costs per ton rose 11.0 per cent. compared with 13.7 per cent. in 1978. This increase, coupled with the drop in grade and increased tonnage milled, resulted in an increase in unit working costs of gold of 20.4 per cent, to R3 464 a kilogram or \$129,29 an ounce, Working profit rose by 76 per cent. to R3 101 million.

Uranium profit. State assistance and sundry revenue resulted in total profit of R3 537 million, compared with R2 073 million in 1978. Capital expenditure on producing mines increased substantially by 54 per cent. to R689 million. Profit after providing for capital expenditure therefore amounted to R2 848 million as against R1 625 million in 1978. Taxation and State's share of profits almost doubled to R1 703 million, leaving distributable profits of R1 145 million, a 66 per cent, increase on the 1978 figure of R688 million. Of this, dividends declared absorbed R963 million, being 76 per cent, more than in the previous year.

Amgold's investment income rose by 80.0 per cent to R133.9 million from R74.4 million last year which included receipt of a third dividend from Gold Fields of South Africa Limited amounting to to R1.2 million during that fourteen month period. Interest earned increased from R0.6 million to R1.3 million but there was no underwriting commission (1979; RO.2 million) and the surplus on realisation of investments declined from R1.6 million to R0.1 million. Administration, prospecting, interest and other charges fell from

Pre-tax profit at R130.6 million was 81.6 per cent. higher than last year and there was no provision for taxation. After deduction of preference dividends equity earnings were R127.9 million or 582.8 cents a share, of which R115.2 million, or 525 cents a share, was distributed in the form of ordinary dividends, Retained earnings amounted to R12.7 million compared with R14.9 million in 1979.

Gold

The spectacular rise in the gold price was virtually uninterrupted between May 1979, when a short period of consolidation ended, and January 1980. The London market price broke through \$300 in July and the \$400 level was attained at the beginning of October. After a brief reaction, the \$500 barrier was quickly breached by the end of 1979 and the price continued to rise in unprecedented fashion to \$850 on January 21. It fell by more than \$200 in the following few days and then fluctuated, at times widely, in the \$600 - \$700 range until early March. By then, however, the increase in interest rates in the United States to levels beyond those anticipated as necessary to curb excessive credit demand was sufficient to spur a widespread movement from commodities to dollar financial assets, despite continuing economic and other uncertainties. The gold price fell subsequently to the \$500 level by March 14 and, in the wake of President Carter's announcement on that day that fiscal and other restrictive measures were to be introduced, declined to reach \$474 on March 18 1980. It soon recovered, partly in reaction to the announcement that South Africa would not have to sell its entire gold production, and over the past few weeks has fluctuated

In considering the period to the end of February 1980, a remarkable feature which has characterised the gold market since December 1978 is the fact that the price increase was expressed almost uniformly in other major currencies, as well as the dollar, with the price in yen terms rising to the greatest extent. By contrast, in 1978, when the dollar price rose strongly, the price in terms of Deutschemarks increased only moderately and that in Swiss francs and Japanese yen not at all.

These patterns reflect a fundamental change in the structure of the market that had emerged by late 1978 and which had a profound influence during the past year, namely, the growing propensity for diversification, not only from dollar-denominated assets but also paper currencies in general.

Overnding doubts about the United States' ability to subdue inflation and the consequent effect that continued disarray in the world monetary system would have on international money supplies, given the already intractable political situation in the Middle East, imparted a new momentum to this trend. More specifically, efter some relative stability in the gold price in the early months of 1979, associated to a degree with a recovery of dollar strength, the inescapable implications of the Opec oil price increases caused the gold price to regain its upward momentum. Uncertainties, compounded by the renewed weakness of the dollar, were allayed only temporarily by the Voicker restrictive monetary package in October. Subsequent events in Iran,

and then Afghanistan, appeared to reinforce the conviction that gold is the indisputable store of wealth in a precarious world situation.

In this environment speculative activity was bound to accelerate. Indeed, in the United States the increased interest in gold last year was expressed largely through the forward market and record volumes in gold futures were recorded on the New York and Chicago commodity exchanges. The extraordinary fluctuations in prices early this year have been associated with similar marked variations in the extent of open positions in these and in the Far Eastern markets, whose activities have also broadened considerably.

These developments combined to influence the demand and supply profile for gold in 1979. Preliminary indications are that the higher prices had an appreciable effect on gold consumption in the form of ewellery, particularly over the turn of the year, when a significant amount of dishoarding from the Middle East took place, and, to a lesser extent on industrial usage. Net offtake of official coins rose by 10 per cent, the 18 per cent, decline in Krugerrand sales from the record six million coins in 1978 being more than offset by increased sales of other coins, including the new Canadian Maple Leaf. Supplies of bullion to the market in 1979 were approximately the same as in the previous year. New production in the West rose slightly but the most noticeable feature was a significant reduction in the sales of Soviet gold: the balance was made up from the IMF and by increased sales at US Treasury auctions. Given the supply situation, and in the light of the reported reduction in the total demand for fabrication, it has been estimated that net private purchases for investment and speculative purposes probably more than doubled in 1979 to approximate the 1974 level.

in assessing the outlook for the gold market in 1980, the impact on fabrication demand of dollar and other prices, currently still far above those prevailing throughout 1979, cannot be ignored. The sensitivity of demand to high prices is readily apparent, but the relationship is complex. When the price rose above \$400 last year most experts believed that the increase would have a definite impact on consumption and that it would fall, but not by as much as it did in 1973 and 1974. Despite recent fluctuations, and especially in light of recessionary prospects, this view cannot be disputed and implies the need for corresponding gains in the investment area if supplies at 1979 levels are to be absorbed at around current prices.

However, while investment and speculative demands are volatile, the supply position cannot be taken for granted. The reduction in gold sales to the open market from Communist sources is an intriguing factor, the four-year programme of IMF auctions is nearly complete and no US Treasury sales have been held since last November. The debate now surrounding the possible role of gold in the proposed Substitution Account, which is to be discussed in Hamburg by the Interim Committee of the IMF on April 24, and other suggestions, which include central bank intervention or a resumption of con-vertibility for foreign officially-held dollar balances, confirm one fing result of recent events: the re-emergence of gold as the single most important component of international reserves.

It is not surprising that with this singular vested interest European central banks should have resisted attempts last year to persuade them to part with gold to dampen the price, or that prevailing attitudes in the US government and at the IMF, although still ambivalent, are considerably less negative than in past years. There can be no doubt that gold has been effectively remonetised; its role as a basis for national debt settlement, financing of trade deficits, security for official borrowing, expansion of the European Monetary System, new IMF schemes and in the financing of Opec-induced payments deficits has assumed noteworthy proportions, in the long term therefore, the perceived advantages of gold as a politically neutral and secure asset are bound to gain further ground.

Undoubtedly, the present situation is fluid, and there is no way of predicting how long it will be before interest rates in the United States -reach a turning point or what course the IMF, the US government or central banks generally will pursue insofar as their gold stocks are concerned. Certainly, the US authorities have proclaimed their intention of retaining flexibility in this regard as part of their antiinflationary policy. Nevertheless, the underlying strength of demand is testimony to an awareness of the obstacles to restoring a proper balance in the American economy, although President Carter's recently announced package must be recognised as a major effort in this direction. However, other factors include difficulties envisaged in the required recycling of enlarged Opec surpluses, the econom implications of higher defence spending in the West and potential instability generally. I believe that there are sufficient interrelated and compensating elements in the intricate equation of supply and demand to ensure a relatively strong market for gold in the year shead.

Mining operations

Commendable efforts have been made by mine managements in containing the increase in working costs to 11 per cent. a ton particularly as there has been a tendency in the past for working costs to increase significantly following a sharp rise in the gold price. This has not occurred in the year under review even though overall costs of wages, materials and stores, including fuel and steel, increased

It will however be difficult to maintain this lower level of increase in the face of the projected rates of escalation of these items. Despite the higher gold price, it remains of great importance in a country in the grip of inflation to keep wage increases at a level which will not add to the inflationary spiral. On the other hand, wages of black emoloyees, despite the considerable improvements made in the 1970s, remain substantially behind those being paid for similar jobs in secondary industry and commerce. It is not defensible that mine employees, particularly those working underground in a rich industry, should lag behind other industrial workers and the least that must happen is that the industry should continue, as it has done over the past several years, to give greater percentage increases in wages to its black workers than to its white employees. In fact, there is a powerful argument in the present circumstances of high gold prices. for accelerating this process so that black wages are brought more into line and the gap between white and black wages is closed more rapidly with a view to achieving a unified wage curve, as several other industries have done.

The shortage of skills in the mining industry and in the country generally has been a matter of anxiety for some time and now that the economy is showing distinct signs of growth it has become an immediate problem. Inter alia, while difficult to quantify, it has already made an impact on the costs of existing operations. It is estimated that the current shortage of skilled officials and union employees in the industry numbers some 1,040 people, of whom 400 are artisans and 260 certificated miners. Furthermore, from past experience, it is accepted that labour mobility increases in times of an economic upturn. This does not augur well for the supply of skilled labour to existing operations, let alone to new operations resulting from the higher gold price.

Considerable expenditure on olf- and on-the-job training programmes, and the employment and stabilisation of a more sophisticated labour force are areas receiving urgent attention. Such an effort can only really be justified if undertaken within a labour structure which enables all individuals to use their skills to maximum potential. Forward planning of the development of the labour force is imperative in a new environment where there will be equal opportunities, equal pay for equal work of equal value, and the right to trade unionism for all.

In this regard the publication of the Wiehahn and Riekert reports on industrial relations and labour mobility was a major development in the South African labour field. The government adopted a cautious attitude towards the Commissions' recommendations particularly in regard to the admission of blacks to mixed trade unions. Fortunately there are indications that the government may move in this direction, but a clearer indication of the timints of the implementation of all the recommendations is necessary for the effective utilisation of human resources. Fundamental to this are the remaining matters to be considered by the Wiehahn Commission which is devoting its next report to the mining industry.

New developments and exploration

I mentioned in my last review that it had been many years since the mining industry had seen as many as four new mines being developed concurrently, those being Elandsrand, Deelkraal, Unisel and Beisa. This trend has continued during the year with a number of announcements on new and possible projects.

Union Corporation Limited announced in December that a drilling programme on ground to the south of Beisa, held under notion by its subsidiary. Beatrix Mines Limited, had delineated a potential gold mine of medium to low-grade ore.

Subject to negotiations with Western Ultra Deep Levels Limited. a new shaft system is to be developed in the southern portion of the Western Deep Levels' present lease area.

A preliminary feasibility study of the area west and south of The South African Land & Exploration Company Limited's previous mine workings, and centred on the old No. 5 shaft of Van Dyk Consolidated Mines Limited, has delineated a potential gold mine area.

Doornfontein Gold Mining Company Limited has made application for a new lease formula to incorporate the area to the south of its present lease and the life of the mine could be significantly extended. Progress on other new developments has been satisfactory.

The tempo of gold exploration was increased considerably during the year and will escalate further in the coming year.

Conclusion

The very substantial increase in the gold price has given rise to further examination of the expansion prospects of the industry. Even at prices significantly below the current levels, possibilities exist for development of orebodies which have not previously been viable and the new stage of the development of the industry in bouth Africa, which began with Elandsrand, Deelkraal, Unisel and Beisa, has continued during the year with expansion at existing mines.

The increased gold price has not been met by an acceleration in the rate of inflation in working costs. Clearly the challenge to the industry, to maintain the strictest possible control over working costs, remains and is perhaps even stronger now, in the light of rising rates of inflation worldwide, than it was a year ago.

It is against a background of inflation and of widespread political uncertainties that the gold price must be viewed. Preliminary estimates suggest that net tonnage purchased privately in 1979 was about the same as in 1974, although this did not represent such a high proportion of the demand for gold. The average gold price for the year to date is \$621.94, and the price at the time of writing \$532.00, both substantially higher than last year's average of \$307.14. The maintenance of this level of price is clearly dependent on future supplies, the degree to which industrial demand proves sensitive to price and on the continuation of the political and economic factors which lead 10 investment and speculative demand. However, gold has again established a monetary role and its position as a long term store of wealth can rarely have been more widely recognised.

Your company holds a portfolio of good quality gold and uranium mine shares as well as participations in interesting new prospects and I am confident that it will benefit from the expansion of production by both existing and new producers.

The Annual General Meeting of this Company will be held in Johannesburg, South Africa, on June 4, 1980. Copies of the annual report may be obtained from the London Office at 40 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1P 1AJ or from the office of the United Kingdom Transfer Secretaries, Charter Consolidated Limited, P.O. Box 102, Charter House, Park Street, Ashford, Kent TN248EQ.

Preliminary Announcement **Turnover** Operating profit riterest

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lividends paid and proposed

Record profits when 18-month figures converted to annualised basis - despite significantly higher interest charge.

*From 1979 accounts are prepared to 31st December each year

Valter Lawrence Limited

Gross dividends increased by 15 per cent on an annualised basis.

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Continued growth £1.5 million profit for the year ended 31 December 1979

Turnover	1979 £13 065 229	1978 £10 451 296	Increase 25%
rofit before tax	£1 504 257	£1 104 469	36%
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Modest advance at Borg-Warner

Borg-Warner Corporation bas reported a modest increase in carnings and sales for the first quarter of 1980.

Mr James F. Bere, the chairman, told the annual meeting in Chicago that first quarter earnings were \$35.9m or \$1.68 a share, compared with \$35.2m or \$1.65 a share, a year ago. Sales for the quarter were \$680m, up from \$631m a year ago.

Mr Bere said the company's increase in sales and earnings in the face of difficult market conditions was attributable to a strong improvement in its service-related businesses and continuing strength in chemicals and plastics.

"Borg-Warner has enjoyed 19 consecutive quarters of improved results." Mr Bere said. "Maintaining this string of im-provements will be a difficult challenge, especially in the second quarter which last year was the strongest three-month period Borg-Warner ever had."

Downturn for Bell Canada

Bell Canada's unaudited consolidated earnings for the first quarter of 1980 were 55 cents 65 cents for the same period in

Non-consolidated earnings, those of the regulated telecom-munications company, were 46 cents a common share, com-pared with 55 cents in 1979, the first quarter non-consolidated rate of return on average rate of return on average common equity was 9.84 per

Non-consolidated revenues from Bell's telecommunications operations increased by only 7.7 per cent while operating exincreased by 16.1 per

Consolidated revenues for the quarter were CS1,384m, com-pared with S1,223m last year.

International

Consolidated net income was with compared CS103.5M in 1979.

The 1980 results do not reflect the 5 per cent surtax announced on April 21. A pre-liminary assessment of the effect of this surtax on the consolidated earnings indicates that taxes would increase by about CS3m or 2 cents a share.

Sohio income soars

Standard Oil of Ohio re ported net income for the first quarter of 1980 of \$450.7m, an increase of 169 per cent on last year Earnings a share jumped to \$3.67 from \$1.39. As part of the planned \$1,000m capital expenditure during 1980, construction of two drilling rigs for exploration activities on the company's Beufort Sea leases was started in the first quarter with drill-

ing scheduled for the late

Montefibre

Montefibre, a synthetic fibres subsidiary of Montedison of Italy, reduced losses in 1979 to \$6.500m lire (£43m) from 90,300m lire in 1978. Turnover rose to 323,500m lire from 243,800m.

The company is waiting for government approval for a 260,000m lire financial rescue

Zapata profits up

Trading results show

significant advances...

Overall new contracts produced annual

28% over the previous year. The new sums

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In the U.K., new premium income was

£3.7 million higher than in 1978. In

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NEW PREMIUMS

Zapata Corp has reported net income of \$18.3m for the six months to March 31, up sharply from \$10.8m a year

The company reported ner income per share of \$1.93, compared with \$1.19 in the 1979 period. Revenues were \$292m, against \$242m in 1979.

Sale of stores by Kitchen Queen

By Philip Robinson

Kitchen Queen, the furniture to carpets group whose chairman resigned earlier this year as it forecast a six-month loss. is trying to sell some of its 47 stores.

It is understood that the move is part of a rationalization plan by the new chairman Mr Len Morris, who took over from Mr Neville Johnson-the man who started the business, brought it to market 18 months ago and resigned mid-January selling a major slice of hi

Mr Morris was unavailable for comment last night, but it is believed he wants to prune some of the 44 stores which came when Kitchen Queen paid 2.1m for furniture group Knott

Mill a year ago.

The company's new brokers. Panmure Gordon, have can-celled a seminar with KQ's in-stitutional shareholders, due to be held yesterday, because an accountants report on the company-where Price Waterhouse were appointed joint account-ants at the end of Februarywas not ready.

A spokesman for the stockbrokers said : " We had planned to hold a meeting to tell the institutional shareholders exactly what the financial position of the company is. But the report is not ready yet. It should be finished in a couple of weeks.

The accountants' report should include the group's half time figures for the six months ending February.

According to the company's

statement last January, there will be a group loss of £300,000.

The Moben subsidiary, which Kitchen Queen bought in a £5m deal last November is expected to produce a £1.2m profit compared with a forecast made at the time of the acquisition of £1.5m for the whole year. Losses on the group's manufac-turing division in the first half have been estimated at £1.1m and on retailing at £400,000.

Highlights from the 1979 statement by

Edwin W. Phillips, MBE, Chairman of Friends' Provident

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its present stable, but still small, base.

took over recently, we are now able to

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Smiths Industries' £5m bid

£4.9m for Efco Mfg, an unlisted Australian company which makes and sells door furniture, such as locks, latches, handles, knobs and associated equipment to architects and to the building industry. It has a factory in Sydney, and distribution Sydney, and distribution branches in all the major

Australian states. The assets of Efco as at June 30 were £1.5m. Profits for the period amounted to £1.006m on sales of E3.45m.

The purchase price will be satisfied partly in cash, and partly by the issue of 2.37 new ordinary shares of Smiths. These shares will not rank for the interim dividend for the year to August 2, 1980 of 3.7p. The ordinary shares have been placed on behalf of the vendors.

Ellis & Holdstein

slips to £1.65m

Turnover at Ellis & Goldstein (Holdings) for the year to January 31 rose from £35.6m to £40.9m. Pre tax profits were just £1.65m against £1.82m. The dividend is 3.28p gross against

At present spring 1980 retail sales are ahead of last year, and will be assisted by the gradual reestablishment gradual reestablishment throughout the year of the throughout the year of the shop-within-stores units in Debenhams. The autumn collections are being shown against the background of continuing inflation, high interest rates and understandable caution by our retail customers, board

says.

The directors are to recommend that the 5p shares be written up to 15p shares.

Walter Lawrence reaches £2.2m

Taxable profits of Walter Lawrence, an industrial holding company, reached £2.21m over the 18 months to December 31, compared with £1.13m for the previous 12 months. This

was achieved on turnover of E75m against £39.8m. The board says that profits Anchor Chemical and turnover were ahead everywhere, except at Walaw Plant Hire, where a substantial loss was incurred. This company was incurred. This company turnover for 1979 at £14.07m has been restructured, and an compared with £11.35m and pre-

Annualised earnings a share are 18.5p against 18.1p, and the dividend is 15p against 8.86p

British Asset Trust profits up £1m

British Assets Trust's income for the half year to March 31 rose to 13.8m from 52.7m a year earlier. Pretax profits were 11m higher at 52.94m. Earnings a share were 1.86p

against 1.12p and net asset value a share was 91.1p compared with 100.1p. As a result of an increase in the quarterly dividend, the total payout for the year will

4.43p gross the year hefore. Hopkinsons Holdings

Because of an industrial dispute at a subsidiary, audited group accounts for Hapkinsons

Holdings for the year to February 1 are not yet available. However, the board expects that trading profit will not be significantly less than in 1978-79, although an increase in net interest payable will cause a further reduction at the pretax

a second interim of 5.92p gross, making 8.07 gross. It is not expected that a final will be recommended.

Turner and Newall.

Mr Stephen Gibbs, chairman of Turner and Newall, told the annual meeting that 1980 had started slightly better than 1979, although further action would have to be taken to reduce financing charges and

restore adequate levels of United Kingdom profitability. Noting that the company's position overseas was much healthier, he said that the board felt sufficiently conand earnings of the Zimbabwe subsidiaries into the group accounts this year.

moves ahead

Anchor Chemical reports a

tax profits up from £422,000 to 5784,000. Tax took 5248,000 against 5178,000, leaving attri-butable profits of 5492,000 against £259,000.

Earnings a share rose from

90 to 17.70. Shareholders are to collect a total dividend of 7.57p gross

against 6.86p.

Mr H. K. Justi, chairman, says that the group's organization should enable it to deal effectively with the forecasted recession.

Pentland Industries tops £1m mark

Profits of Pentland Industries have exceeded £1m for amount to 5.21p gross, against the first time. The 1979 profit compares with £813.000 for 1978, and was achieved on turn-over of £25.8m against £18.2m. Earnings a share went up from 5.8p to 7.5p. The dividend is 1.8p against 1.26p gross.

The 27 per cent increase in trading profits has been achieved despite the sale of a former 51 per ceut subsidiary Unican Foods, which contributed £186,000 to group profits in 1978 before tax and minority

The board therefore feels that the real growth rate during 1979 was far more substantial than 27 per cent.

The first quarter of the cur-rent year shows "satisfactory growth".

Sheffield Twist drill up 14 pc

With turnover rising from £25.9m to £27.6m for 1979, Sheiffield Twist Drill & Steel managed a 14 per cent increase in pretax profits to £1.28m. The dividend is 3.17p gross against 3.03p.

A change in accounting policy for deferred tax resulted in a credit of £1.4m against £1.13m which has been treated as a prior-year adjustment.

The board says that the results were adversely affected by a loss of production because of bad weather conditions, and the national haulage dispute in the first quarter followed by the national engineering dis-pute in the third quarter.

Briefly

P. & W. Maciellan: Turnover for 1979. £5.891m (£5.90m). Pretax profit, £134,000 (£153.000). Divid-end total, 2.04p (2.12p). Board state that recently announced closure will make a substantial re-duction in both borrowings and interest charges. Britannia Arrow Holdings : Chair-

man says in annual statement that 1980 has started well and he looks forward to a continued increase in both progress and profitability. Gallaher: Sales for three months to March 31 £473.7m (5419.8m). Trading profit £29.0m (£16.7m). demonstrate a continua tion of last year's progress, but sales of tobacco products in June quarter this year are bound to be less than in March quarter. (Company is subsidiary of American Brands Inc).

Brands Inc).

S. Simpson: Turnover for half year to January 31, £11.61m³ (£10.90m). Pretax profit, £506,000 (£922,000). luterim 1.3125p (same). Steps have been taken to increase efficiency and rationalization, which will permit company to take full advantage of any improvement in world trade. Maxims: Turnover for 1979, £2.3m

(£2.3m). Pretax profit £85,000 (£62,000). Eps 22.7p (£5.6p). Divi-dend 6p (5.5p). Proposed scrip issue two-for-one. Guest Keen & Nettlefolds : Annual

report reveals SSAP 16 pretax profit for 1979 of £68m. On his-terical basis pretax profit amounted £101.4m. London Brick: profits of £12.7m before taxation in the year to December 31 are reduced to £7.89m under current cost accounting.

accounting.

Eurns Philp has bought £851,000 (about 36 per cent) of S. Hoffnung's 12 per cent convertible unsecured loan stock, 1985-90, at par to the sellers, excluding broker's commission. Price represents increase over terms of proposal to holders made on April 12 which is contingent on ordinary offer becoming unconditional and. offer becoming unconditional and, accordingly, terms are raised to £1 per £1 nominal of stock.

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Francis Sumner (Hidgs): Turnover for 1979 was f16.2m compared with f15.1m in the previous year. Pretax profit was £359,300 (£693,400). Earnings per share were 1.88p (1.46p), final 0.1p, dividend is 0.14p gross (0.41 gross) making 0.92p gross (1.12p gross).

A. & C. Elack: Turnover for 1979 £2.32m (£2.26m). Pretax profit £65,000 (£340,000). Dividend, 5.39p (same). Sales were severely affected by cutbacks in institutional spending in United Kingdom and by strength of sterling in overseas markets. Reduction in budgeted sales led to the reduced profit.

Safeguard Industrial Investments: Safeguard Industrial Investments:

Sateguard Industrial Investments: Interim 2.57p gross (2.14p). Pretax revenue for half year to March 31 £454,500 (£355.000). Revenue in second half not expected to show much increase over last year's figure. Nav per share 105.4p (114.4p at September 30). Agricultural Mortgage Corp: Issue is announced of £2.5m 16; per cent honds, May 1, 1981, at £100 per

Ben Bailey Construction : Turnover for half year to December 31, 1979, was £2.8m against £2.6m a year earlier. Pretax profit was 50,27m against £0.16m. Earnings per share were 2.505p (1.514p), Intering dividend is 0.62p gross (0.47p gross),

Cradley Printing: Sales for half year to December 31, 1979, were 11.3m against £925,000 in the previous year, Pretax profit was £156,000 (£128,000). Chairman says it is impossible to predict outcome for year as much will depend on political and economic climates.

Crouch Group: This property development and construction group has acquired Philip Flooring, and Jos. F. Ebner (1953), two companies specializing in the manufacture and laying of floors. Aggregate value at consideration is in the order of £30,000, of which £5,000 has been paid on account. FLIGHT REFUELLING : Turnover

for 1979, £15.85m (£11.054m) pre-tax profit £2.45m (£1.9m). EPS 17.52p (23.95p). One-for-two scrip issue proposed. Dividend 3.1p net (2.4p).

McKechnie Brothers up 27 pc at half year

Non-ferrous metal McKechnie Brothers shrugged contraors and not included off the worst effects of the these figures, comes to 2169,0 engineering strike in the half after tax.

year to January 31. Profits rose Mr. Cecil Taylor, the cha by 27.6 per cent on sales up by man, describes the performan

terim dividend is unchanged...
The profits figure was 58.24m, against £6.46m while sales were up from £55.3m to £68.2m. The the loss of potential tradi-profits from the engineers strike at £500,000 last full year produced profits of £15.1m on sales of £121.1m. areas stowed "useful improvement" with the revival in resources economy as At the operating level, before the metal account the profits-were up from £5.4m to £6.4mgood conditions in New Zealan being especially useful after charging depreciation of: £1.56m against £1.48m last time.

The interim dividend is unchanged 2,869 gross. The above to 102p yesterd to yield a historic 9.7 per co

Harold Bank Base

up 31 pc

By Our Financial Staff

Ford main dealer Harold.

Perry Motors turned in a 31 per cent profits increase in1979 on sales up by 32 per cent. The profits figure was up from £3.76m to £4.93m and sales rose from £87.6m to and sales rose from £87.6m to

23.2 per cent, though the in-

Associates contributed 128m.

against £1.6m.

Profits from new cars were 35 per cent up on sales 23.1 per cent higher while commercial, vehicles profits were 54 per cent higher on sales of 25.4 per cent more units. Other trading activities, including petrol replacement parts and indus trial equipment preduced 33 per cent of total group operating profit.
In the first quarter of this

year profits of £1.36m represent an 11 per cent decline from last, year's level, despite higher volume sales. Profits from com-mercial vehicles, however, were up.

The board are proposing a one-for-one scrip issue. The final dividend is 57p gross, making a total for the year of 10p.

The shares fell 8p yesterday
to 147p where they yield 6.8
per cent and sell ar four times
stated earnings of 37p per share.

Appointments Changes at Thomson

Holdings Mr W. M. Brown and Mr J. Evans are appointed four deputy managing directors at Thomson British Holdings, the principal United Kingdom subsidiary of United Kingdom subsidiary of International Thomson Organisation, Mr. G. C. Brunton remains managing director and chirt executive. Mr. C. N. D. Cole and Mr. J. H. Saiwage are appointed directors. Mr. Cole, kitherto managing director and chief executive of Thomson Regional ecutive of Thomson Regional Newspapers, is appointed chair-man and chief executive of that

Newspapers, is appointed chairman and chief executive of that company, and Mr. Sauvage remains chairman and chief executive of that company, and Mr. Sauvage remains chairman and chief executive of Thomson Travel. Mr. I. M. Clubb will join the headquarters staff of Thomson British Holdings as financial director, reporting to Mr. W. M. Brown. In addition. Mr. Clubb becomes chairman of Thomson North Sea in succession to Mr. W. M. Brown, who remains a non-executivt director.

Mr. Bryan Hildrew, managing director of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, has been elected the new president of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

Mr. Peter J. Harper joins the board of John Laing as managing director of the group's products and trading activities.

Sir Barrie Heath, former chairman of GKN, has joined the main hoard of Tunnel Holdings as a non-executive director on the retirement of Sir Edward Playfair. Mr. L. V. Hewitt, also a main board director, becomes managing director of Tunnel Cement. Dr. Neil H. Hampson, previously marketing director for ICI Polyurchanes in Europe, is appointed managing director of Stahlex International Holdings.

Mr. B. H. Nicholson becomes chairman of Rank Xerox (UK), and Rank Xerox GmbH (Germany), subsidiaries of Rank Xerox Limited, of which he is a main board director.

Dr. Alan Robertson, is now a member of the Halliax Building Society's London board of directors.

Mr. Ronald K. Will succeeds Mr. Ronald K. Will succeeds Mr.

Mr Ronald K. Will succeeds Mr Ernest M. Dawson, who has retired, as chairman of Scotlish Equitable Life Assurance Society. Mr Alan Ramsden will be director of personale at the British National Oil Corporation.

Mr John N. R. Barber has been been decreed a non-executive director of

Mr John N. R. Barber has been elected a non-executive director of Amagamated Metal Corporation. Mr Graeme Chalk has joined the board of English Electric Valve. Company as technical director.

Mr J. L. M. Wilson will succeed. Mr T. N. Gartside as senior partner of stockbrokers Sheppards and Chase from May 1, 1980. Mr Gartside will become a non-executive side will become a non-executive partner. Mr R. M. Howell, Mr R. M. Leach and Mr G. W. B. Warman will join the partnership on that date and on April 30, 1980, Mr D. G. Clive, Lord Terrington and Mr S. R. B. Wood leave the parmership.

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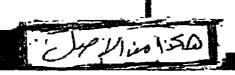
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e man, Mr Stephen Long-, aged 31, had tried to out at the last minute as waited in a car to kidnap Lena Kavanagh, a hotel er, outside the Posthouse York, in December, Mr pulled a knife out of its

and put it to his throat im it was too late, ly could get out of this, the first time Steve had me use a knife. I had ly cut a man's throat three until today.

times, halfway through his neck. Steve was frightened and sat

There was a moment of silence, then Mr Paul Worsley, prosecuting, asked: "Is it true that you murdered a man with the control of the control a knife, cut halfway through his neck?" "Yes". Mr Reilly said. eck?" "Yes", Mr Reilly said. He told the court that he was to have stood trial at the Central Criminal Court in May for murder, but added: "Now I want the court to know the truth about what happened."

Mr Stephen Longburst, aged 31, unemployed, of no settled address, who has denied kidopher Beaumont that he napping and conspiracy to not say anything which implicate him in another Mr Reilly demanded to go as witness box.

Reilly, an unemployed er of no settled address He had not wanted to be party to the kidnapping but was terrified when Mr Reilly threatened him and had gone along when Miss Kavanagh was bundled into a cur and driven, tied and blindfolded, 200 miles to a hideout in a derelict base-ment in Islington.

Mr Reilly has also claimed that a plan to demand £15,000 from Miss Kavanagh's wealthy Irish parents was his, and that Mr Lewis and the others were

Mr Lewis, aged 32, a former taxi driver, of Bellstead Avenue, Ipswich, has admitted kidnapping, but denies conspiring to blackmail. The trial was adjourned

recial Branch officer's mission on fingerprints

Staff Reporter

Sergeant Geoffrey Dale, Special Branch, admitted Mayor's and City of a Court yesterday that he n arrested man that he write to the Metropolitan Commissioner asking for urn of fingerprints, even he knew that it was the policy to keep them. Dale said in evidence that dethe suggestion to Mr :l Comolly, aged 32, Mr Connolly had shown nce to give fingerprints. officer said that in his rs in the police force it ways been the policy to ingerprints. "But there ays a first time", he "It was the only course in open to Mr Connolly". Connolly, then a joiner penter, was arrested in uder the Prevention of

ant Act as a result of a the Central Criminal

s an interested member

Council for Civil Liberties, he is suing the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, as be-ing responsible for the three Special Branch officers in-volved, for unlawful arrest and imprisonment under the Act. He seeks damages together with an order that fingerprints, photographs and other detailed information about himself and

his family be destroyed. The police say the information can be kept on their files as long as the Act is in force.

Mr Peter Thornton, for Mr Connolly, asked Sergeant Dale if it was not a misleading and meaningless suggestion to make to Mr Connolly that he could write to the Commissioner for the return of his fingerprints.

Sergeant Dale replied "No".

At no time, he said, did he suggest that Mr Connolly would, in fact be able to get the prints back.

Mr Connolly has said he refused to give his fingerprints at first because he felt he was being treated like a criminal. He had done nothing wrong ed by the National He had done nothing wrong

Law Report April 24 1980

Man admits to murder Damages for loss from delayed completion

Wiejski and Another

Before Viscount Dilhorne, Lord
Edmund-Davies, Lord Fraser of
Tullybelton, Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Keith of Kinkel
Where the last vendor in a
chain of contracts for purchase
and sale of houses failed to give
vacant posession on the contractual
date for completion, so that the
purchaser at the beginning of the
chain had to pay for temporary
accommodation pending completion, the last vendor was liable for
damages caused by his delay,
although the contract did not make
time of the essence and the delay
did not in equity amount to a
breach of contract.

The House of Lords, Viscount

did not in equity amount to a breach of contract.

The House of Lords, Viscount Dilhorne dissenting, so held in dismissing an appeal by Mr Zygmunt Wiejski and his wife, third parties in an action by the purchaser of a house in Ealing against its vendors (the defendants) from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Buckley, Lord Justice Bridge and Lord Justice Templeman) ([1980] 2 WLR 189) which had allowed an eppeal by the defendants, Mr Gruffydd Royston Miles and his wife, from Mr Justice Whitford on what Lord Justice Buckley described as "a point of general interest on the law of the sale of land surprisingly devoid of direct judicial authority.

In June, 1977, the defendants, deroid of direct judicial authority.

In June, 1977, the defendants, Mr and Mrs Miles entered into a contract to sell their house in Ealing to the plaintiff, Mr Carol Rineri, completion with vacant possession being fixed for July 12, 1977. At the same time the Wiejskis agreed to sell their house at Guildford to Mr and Mrs Miles, under a contract which incorporated the Law Society's General Conditions of Sale (18ed, revised 1973) and though time was not expressed to be of the essence, completion with vacant possession was also fived for "on or before" July 12, 1977.

On July 11 the Wiejskis in-

On July 11 the Wiejskis in-formed the Miles that they could formed the Miles that they could not complete on the following day because they had not raised enough money to complete the purchase of their new home; but by that date Mr Raineri was on his way from Warrington to London to take prospergion of the don to take possession of the Ealing house; and as a result he had to find and pay for tempo-rary accommodation for bimself

Lord Chief Justice stated in the Court of Appeal.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Ian Albert Upton, aged 33, against a sentence of six months' imprisonment on his conviction at Bournemouth Crown Court (recorder: Mr J, J. Smyth QC) of the theft of goods valued at £5, the property of a supermarket at Winton, Dorset, of which he was deputy manager. He had been admitted to bail after serving two months, and their

serving two months, and their Lordships substituted such sen-tence as allowed him to be released immediately.

Mr Jeremy Gibbons for the

Regina v Upton

No room in prisons

for petty offenders

Regina v Upton

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief
Justice, Mr Justice Griffiths and
Mr Justice Webster
Prison overcrowding now requires sentences on non-violent petty offenders to be as short as possible if no alternative to immediate prison sentences exists, the Lord Chief Justice stated in the Court of Appeal.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that it was a petty their which, and should not have merited prison; but the appellant was entrusted with securing premises and helped himself to their contents. In principle the judge was right, and their Lordships did not quarrel with an immediate prison sentence.

and his family. On July 13 the Miles served notice to complete within 28 days under condition 19 of the Conditions of Sale, whereby time became of the essence. They completed with that notice, and completion of the two contracts with vacant possession took place on August 11.

mr Raineri issued a writ against his vendors, the Miles, inner alia, to recover the cost of the temporary accommodation as damages for breach of contract and obtained summary judgement for damages to be certified on inquiry lader agreed at £725]. The Miles thereupon served a third party notice on the Wiejskis claiming an indemnity against Mr Raineri's claim on the ground that that claim arose from their breach of contract in falling to complete on July 12.

or July 12.

Mr Justice Whitford dismissed the third party proceedings on the ground that, for the indemnity claim to be made good, the defendants had to establish that the failure to complete on July 12. remains had the stands in that the failure to complete on July 12 arose from some unreasonable action or inaction by the third parties, and as no such Case could be made out the defendants were not entitled to the relief sought.

not entitled to the relief sought.
Condition 19 provides: "(2) If
the sale shall not be completed on
the date fixed for completion
either party may on that date or
at any time thereafter . . . give
to the other party notice in writing to complete the transaction in
accordance with this condition but
such notice shall only be effective
if the party giving the same at the
time the notice is sent is either time the notice is sent is either nme the notice is sent is either ready, able and willing to complete or is not so ready, able and willing by reason of the default or omission of the other party to the contract. (3) Upon service of an effective notice pursuant to the preceding clause it shall be an express turn of the contract that the presenting states it state to an express term of the contract that the party to whom the notice is given shall complete the transaction within 28 days after the day of service of the notice . . . and in respect of such period time shall be of the essence of the contract but without respects to contract but without prejudice to

any intermediate right of rescis-sion by either party." The Law of Property Act, 1925, provides by section 41: "Stipulations in a contract, as to time or otherwise, which according

The time had come to appreciate that non-violent petty offenders should not be allowed to take up what had become valuable space in prison. If there really was no alternative to an immediate prison sentence, then it should be as short as possible. Sentencing judges should appreciate that overcrowding in many of the penal establishments in this country was such that a prison sentence, however short, was a very unpleasant experience indeed for inmates.

Solicitors: A. R. Cooper & Co, Christchurch .

The time had come to appreciate

The plaintiff was not a party to the appeal.

LORD EDMUND-DAVIES, giving the first of the majority speeches for dismissing the appeal, said that the primary issue raised in the appeal was: If a contract for the sale of land specified the date for completion with vacant possession, but did not stipulate that time was to be of the essence, and the purchaser suffered damage by reason of the vendor's failure to complete on the specified date, was the purchaser entitled to recover compensation, notwithstanding that the delay was not such as would enable the purchaser to defeat the vendor's action for specific performance?

His Lordship stated the facts

His Lordship stated the facts summarized above and said that the principal questions raised by the third parties on the appeal

were:

(1) Did a fallure by a party to a contract for the sale of land to complete the contract on or before the stipulated completion date amount to a breach of contract even where the time for completion was not originally, and had not become, capable of being regarded in equity "as of the essence"?

(2) Did the service of a completion of the complet

(2) Did the service of a comple-tion notice under condition 19 have the effect of substituting an entirely new completion date for entirely new completion cate tor
the original completion date?

(3) Did the reason why the
appellants delayed completion
absolve them from liability?
On the first question—the effect
of delay in completion—the
appellants submitted that as the
date for completion was not
expressed to be of the essence,
the law as it had stood since the
ludicature Act, 1875, exculpated
them from all liability for the
foreseeable damage sustained by
the respondents as a direct result
of their failure to keep their
word. Were that right the respondents would suffer a substantial
injustice. The fact that time had
not been declared to be of the
essence did not mean that the
express date for completion could
be supplanted by the court's treating it as a mere "target" date,
and, in effect, enabling the
defaulting party to insert into the
comractual provision some such
words as "or within a reasonable
time thereafter".

Else Torgebile stated the true the original completion date?

time thereafter ".

His Lordship stated the true position before 1873, as his Lordship saw it, in contracts for the sale of land. On a vendor's failure to complete on the specified date (a) the purchaser could recover damages for the vendor's breach both in the common law and the Chancery courts; (b) notwith-standing (a), the vendor could petition in the Chancery court for a decree of specific performance.
There would be no discordance
between the purchaser being
awarded damages and the vendor setting his decree, and no case had been cited to the House to indicate otherwise.

Equity would, however, inter-

fere to stay common law proceed-ings in which the purchaser sought to rely on the vendor's breach of to rely on the vendor's breach of strict compliance with the completion date not simply as entiting him to recover damages but also enabling him to treat the contract as thereby repudiated, for that would be in direct conflict with the vendor's suit in equity for specific performance if he had completed within a reasonable time after the stipulated date.

lated date. So it was that in Stickney v Keeble ([1915] AC 386, 415) Lord Parker of Waddington said:

ing to rules of equity are not deemed to be or to have become of the essence of the contract, are also construed and have effect at law in accordance with the same rules."

Mr J. L. Knox, QC, and Mr J. L. Knox, QC, and Mr J. H. Weeks for the appellant third parties, Mr and Mrs Wiejski; Mr D. K. Rattee, QC, and Mr A. G. Steinfeld for the respondents, Mr and Mrs Miles. The plaintiff was not a party to the appeal.

LORD EDMUND-DAVIES, giving the first of the majority speeches for dismissing the first of the majority speeches for dismissing the appeal. Said that the primary that in Woods v. It was true that in Woods v.

lered with the remedy at law."

It was true that in Woods v Mackenie Hill Ltd (1975) 1 WLR 613) Mr Justice Megarry, in an extemporary judgment, had referred to the contractual obligation as being "to complete on the date fixed for completion or within a reasonable time thereafter." But that was not the point in issue and the remark was made in the context of the necessity to serve a completion notice making time of the essence.

Wille the roles of judge and

notice making time of the essence.

While the roles of judge and author were admittedly separate and distinct, it was not without interest to note that Megarry and Wade's Law of Real Propery (4th edn, p 586) cited Phillips v Lamdin ([1949] 2 KB 33) without critical comment as authority for the proposition that "... whether time is of the essence or not, a party who is actually injured by breach of a time stipulation can recover damages". Phillips's case was directly in point. There Mr Justice Croom-Johnson covered the relevant authorities and said (at y 42): "I have never heard it suggested that in an ordinary contract for the sale of goods, when a reasonable time has elapsed and the goods have not been delivered, that the only thing the said of the party of the said of the property of the said of the property of the said of goods, when a reasonable time has elapsed and the goods have not be dere is no time property.

been delivered, that the only thing that can be done is to give notice and then seek to rescind and then seek to recover damages. Damages for breach of contract for delay, even after the purchase and sale of the goods has been completed, are always recoverable in a proper case, provided that the plaintiff can prove them. There is no distinction to be drawn in general . . between contracts for sale of land and any other contracts, except in this respect, that, where the contract is not completted owing to some conveyancing difficulty, or some difficulty with regard to title and the matter goes off, courts of equity will not give damages for loss of the bargain.

The correct answer to his Lordship's first question depended on a proper understanding of the effect of section 41 of the Law of Property Act, 1925.

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That effect was put by Lord Justice Buckley in the present case (at p 769): "In considering whether to restrain an action at law the Court of Chancery took cognizance of everything which had happened up to the date of the decree restraining the action at law. Since the fusion of law and equity the High Court is to have regard to all those events and is to grant or withhold the common law remedy of damages for breach of contract on the principles which would have actuated the Court of Chancery in permitting or restraining proceedings at law. . . This is . . . the whole effect of the Law of Property Act, 1925, section 41, relevant to this case. It does not negative the existence of a breach for contract where one has occurred, but in certain circumstances it but an accurred to the stances it bars any assertion that the breach has amounted to a repudiation of the contract." There was, in other words, no discordance between the common law and equitable treatment of a claim for damages in such cases

as the present and therefore no call to invoke section 41. His Lordship would answer question 1 in the negative.

On the second question—the effect of service of the completion notice—the appellants submitted that it operated to introduce into

pletion within 28 days of service; that they could be under an obligation to complete only on one date and not on two different dates; that the only relevant date was therefore that secondly imposed; and that, as they in fact had completed by that date, they were at no time in breach of contract. No authority supporting such an argument was cited, and his Lordship did not think it would do.

had passed. When it had, the inno-cent party had an accrued right to damages. But if the appellants were right, no condition 19 notice could be served without the party serving it thereby waiving that accrued right. That would be a remarkable result. His Lordship would hald that that contention for the appellants was unacceptable and would answer question two in the negative.

Mr Justice Whitford gave an affirmative answer to that question by saying that "the claim can only be good if it can be established that a person in default had not acted reasonably in doing what they in fact did". No such ground had been advanced in the House, though it had been pursued and rejected in the Court of Appeal.

His Lordship knew of no authonoting, and several to the oppo-site effect. Even were nou-completion due to the appellants' inability to arrange the necessary finance to enable them to buy the house they had in mind for their own occupation, that inability afforded no defence to the re-spondents' entitlement to be com-nersated.

question 3 must also be answered in the negative. The appeal should be dismissed. LORD FRASER, concurring, said

that the appellants' delay was due to a deliberate decision by them not to move out on the stipulated date. They could have left the house and moved into temporary accommodation themselves but they decided not to do so and left it to Mr Raineri to find temporary accommodation. The de-lay was therefore due to their "wiful default" and if that were the test it would lead to a deci-sion against them.

Lord Russell and Lord Keith

condition of the contract—that the purchase should be completed on or before July 12, 1977. when vacant possession shall be given to the purchasers."

In his Lordship's view the special condition fixed a target date and no more. He would date and no more. He would allow the appeal. Solicitors: Rart Brown & Co, Guildford; Barlows, Guildford.

House of Lords

A completion notice under con-dition 19 might not be served un-til the specified completion due had passed. When it had, the inno-

the negative. On question 3—the reason for delay in completion—it had long been established that blameworthy conduct might well preclude a ven-dor from equitable relief; and the same applied to a purchaser. But did the party seeking damages for delay in completion have to adduce anything more than proof that the other party to the contract had failed to keep his word?

Mr Justice Whitford gave an

So far as the exiguous evidence So far as the exiguous evidence called by the appellants went, they had a clear and free choice between completing their contract with the respondents (notwithstanding the inconvenience to them) or breaking it and so causing inconvenience and loss to the respondents (or to someone further down the line, such as the plaintiff) and they chose the latter course. The appellants were not absolved from liability by reason of the known circumreason of the known circumstances of the present case, and

Court of Appeal

Immigration appeals on facts

Regina v Luunigration Appeal Tribunal, Ex parte Bi and

Lord Justice Brightman and Dame Elizabeth Lane
[Judgment delivered April 23]
The Immigration Appeal Tribunal, when hearing appeals from an adjudicator, is not listed to considering points of law, but can hear appeals on the facts, and if after reviewing an adjudicator's decisions on the facts it comes to the conclusion that they are wrong, it has the power and duty to review and reverse those decisions and the determination which is based on them; it can substitute its own view on the credibility of witnesses whom the adjudicator, has seen and the tribunal has not seen only for compelling reasons, and the cases in which it can do so must be rare.

The Court of Appeal so held when dismissing an appeal by the applicams, Alam Bi, Abrar Ahmed and Ashfaq Ahmed, against the decision of the Immigration Appeal Tribunal dared November 9, 1978, allowing the appeal of the Visa Office, Islamabad, from the determination of an adjudicator in which he had reversed the decision of the Entry Clearance Officer refusing the applicants leave to enter the United Kingdom.

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LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON said that the appeal tribunal had allowed an appeal from the decision of an adjudicator and had, in effect, restored the decision of the Eury Clearance Officer. Their Lordships had given the applicants leave to move out of time for judicial review and had heard the substantive appeal. The case was unusual because the sponsor of the applicants for entry, Manhamad Hussain, had been interrogated by the Entry Clearance Officer in Pakistan, who had disbelieved his vital evidence that the applicants were his wife and sons. The adjudicator had believed the sponsor, and the

appeal tribunal had decided that the adjudicator was wrong and onghr to have followed the Entry Clearance Officer in his disbelief. Clearance Officer in his dishelief.

The court had to remember the duties of the various persons and bodies. The Immigration Act, 1971, established the appellate authorities. The sponsor was a patrial who had lived in the United Kingdom since 1963. His wife and children were entitled to be given entry clearance to this country, and that was clearly provided by the Immigration Rules (HC 81). The adjudicator had to see whether the refusal of the Entry Clearance Officer was in accordance with the law and the Immigration Rules, and in carrying out his function he had the power to review any determination of fact on which the decision was based.

After reviewing the facts the

After reviewing the facts the adjudicator had come to the conclusion that the Entry Clearance Officer's decision was wrong. The appeal tribunal had restored the officer's decision.

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The burden of proving the assertion that the applicants were the sponsor's wife and children, which was essential to their admission in accordance with the Immigration Rules, rested still on the shoulders of the applicants at the hearing before the appeal tribunal. It was not disputed that it had to be proved on the balance of probabilities and no more.

An appeal to the Divisional Court and the Court of Appeal lay only on a point of law. The appeal tribunal was not so limited and heard appeals on facts, and if after reviewing the adjudicator's decisions on facts it came to the conclusion that they were wrong, it had the power and duty to review and reverse the decision based on those facts. There was no doubt that the appeal tribunal would be sparing in reversing the adjudicator's decisions on the credibility of wimesses whom he had seen and heard, and it was trite law that it could substitute its own view only for compelling reasons, and the cases

Rules for advertising petitions

Justice Vinelott sald in a Practice Direction.

Directions given by Mr Justice

Oliver and by Mr Justice Dillon to the effect that advertisements might be either is a London or a local newspaper, according to particular circumstances, no particular circumstances, no longer applied. Experience showed that advertisements were still being made in the old form and not in the shorter form intro-

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The adjudicator

The adjudicator was the first appellate influent to hear the case. The lynchyin of the applicants' case was the evidence of the sponsor, and before the adjudicator he was not supporting his case with evidence for the first nime. The adjudicator had heard different witnesses from the Entry Clearance Officer; the common nimes was the sponsor witness was the sponsor.

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When the matter came before the appeal tribunal it did not call further evidence, and neither party sought to adduce any. The case against the epplicants was that the adjudicator had made a decision against the weight of the evidence and wrongly assessed the credibility of the sponsor. That would be extremely difficult to sustain in an ordinary case. The appeal tribunal had gone through discrepancies in the evidence, which it was not necessary for his which it was not necessary for his

which it was not necessary for his Lordship to review.

The question was whether the lumigration Appeal Tribunal had gone wrong in law. It was conceded that there might be cases in which an appellate body which had not seen witnesses might be justified in overturning a tribunal which had seen them, so that it was not always an error of law to do what the appeal tribunal had none. But it was said that the appeal tribunal had no business without bearing further evidence to substitute its own view of the credibility of the sponsor for that of the adjudicator. That was a powerful argument, but it left out of account two features. The appeal tribunal was not simply substituting its own view, but was substituting its own view, but was substituting its own view, but was substituting it was not simply substituting it wiew which the Eutry Clearance Officer had taken. The second matter was the cautious way in which the adjudicator had accepted the evidence of the sponsor.

It was not surprising, given the lukewarm endorsement of the sponsor's evidence, that the appeal tribunal had felt bound to restore the decision of the Entry Clearance Officer. There was no error of law in so doing. It had been entitled to take an unusual course in an unusual case, and the appeal should be dismissed.

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Motoring

Hopeful note in those grim statistics

Motor cyclists have come in for a lot of criticism recently, partly on their safety record and partly on unise, amid pronouncements by the Government that it intends to do something about each. But is the two-wheeler fraternity being singled out unfairly for the sins of a few? In Edinburgh this week, Mr Kenneth Clarke, Parliamentary Secretary for Transport, returned to the

theme of motor cycle casualties which he described as "far too high" and reminded his audience high" and remanded his audience of the statistics: 1,163 riders and passengers killed in a year (in 1978), over 20,000 seriously injured and over 48,000 slightly injured.

He could have added two more: that since 1972 two-wheeler casualties have increased by 60 per cent, now accounting for one road death in six, and that the risk of a motor cycle rider being killed or seriously injured is 30 times that for car

occupants. Alarming figures, indeed, and motor cyclists can hardly refute

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But like any statistics they tell only part of the story, and before launching into a diatribe against "motor cycle madness" one needs to make two important qualifica-tions. The first is that bad as the overall picture might be, there has been some improvement over the last five years or so. The sharp increase in two-wheeler

casualties since the early 1970s has coincided with a boom in motor cycle and moped sales sparked off by the oil crisis. With more machines coming on to the road, it was only to be expected that more would become involved in accidents. In fact, in relation to the num-ber of two-wheelers in use and the distances travelled the number of accidents has been declining. In 1977, 1,092 machines were in acci-dents for every 100 million vehicle kilometres travelled; in 1978 the rate was 1,045 and during the early

the year is not yet available) the figure dropped below 1,000.

None of which alters the fact that two-wheelers account for a disproportionate number of casualties but at least the trend is in the right direction. The other qualification is to the assumption that accidents involving two-wheelers are invari-

part of 1979 (the final count for

ably the rider's fault. The point is made rather forcibly in the April issue of Care on the Road, published by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents. Mr Colin Dean, chairman

of the Institute of Road Safety Officers, writes: "Even national newspapers find it fashionable to conduct campaigns against this particular group of road user. But often their so-called facts and figures can be misleading.

"No one can deny that the motor cyclist is vulnerable and that it makes good sense to take lessons in machine control and learn about defensive riding; likewise to invest in some reflective/fluorescent gear to aid conspicuity.
"However, the hard fact remains

that some surveys auggest that in 70 per cent of accidents involving motor cyclists the rider was not to blame. Perhaps it is about time more emphasis was placed on this and more time spent educating the

'blinkered' motorist."

The 70 per cent figure, taken from a police survey, seems very high, particularly as, according to the Department of Transport, up to 40 per cent of two-wheeler accidents do not involve another vehicle. But of course Mr Dean is right in stressing that motor cyclists are by no means always the culprits.

What is probably true is that a large proportion of two-wheeled machines are riden by youngsters-

half the casualties are teenagerswhose inexperience makes them less able to avoid trouble. They are therefore likely to be involved in accidents that with more experience of road conditions and of handling a machine they might

avoid.

Then there is Mr Dean's reference



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to vulnerability. Crash helmets notwithstanding, two-wheeler riders have little protection against an impact and their injuries are bound to be more severe. A car driver, on the other hand, is not only protected by a cocoon of metal but in a head-on collision he will have the length of the bonnet between him and the point of impact. Which means that he can escape unscathed from a serious accident in which a motor cyclist might be killed.

real reason why motor cycles and their riders have a poor image is that they tend to be associated in the public mind with reckless young tearaways more intent on showing off than on being responsible road users. Undoubtedly this element exists, only to spoil things for the majority of two-wheeler riders who behave properly. Certainly there seems to be little

serious opposition in the two-wheeler world to the sort of safety measures the Government is considering—the restriction of learner riders to smaller machines than the 250cc bikes currently permitted and a stop to the practice of driving indefinitely on provisional licences.

There are irresponsible car drivers as well: perhaps the motor cyclists should make themselves more obvious. Which brings us to the question of noise. Last week the Government published a consultation: paper on vehicle noise, pointing out that motor cycles (along with heavy lorries) were the principal targets of public com-plaint and suggesting that the maxi-mum permitted noise should be halved within 10 years.

I will declare a prejudice. One of my least favourite sounds is a rancous motorcycle, particularly

when it shatters the peace of a resi-dential road. A reader who obvi-ously shares this view wrote recently wondering it indeed there

were any legal restrictions, so wide-spread had that din become.

Mororcycles are required to come within certain decidel levels, though these were laid down as long ago as 1970 when, possibly, eardrens were less sensitive. Machines over 125cc. for instance, must not exceed 86 decibels. But according to surveys, 80 decibels is the level at which most people regard a vehicle as constituting a noise misance. (And it must be emphasized that in decibel terms a count of 86 is getting on for double a count of 80.)

In practice most new machines In practice most new machines are reasonably well suppressed. The main offenders are older hikes which have been deliberately—and illegally—tampered with by their owners. Favourite ploys are either to remove the baffle from the silencer or to fit a special "sporty" cilencer: either water the reliable from the silencer or to fit a special "sporty" silencer: either way, the object is to make the machine sound more

There is a law against it but one that is notoriously difficult to enforce. The police are not in the habit of carrying noise meters about with them and the evidence of the ears alone, however graphic, is not enough. But unlike Mr. J. L. Boswell, a reader from Heaton, Tyne and Wear, I wish the Government well in its efforts.

Mr Boswell argues that quieter bikes will be more dangerous because other road users will be less aware of their presence. And

he rinks that motor cyclists will simply throw the quieter exhausts away. He concedes that there are many "disgustingly" noisy mechanes but says the present law is adequate . . . if only it were enforced.

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arry Hagman (left), the Dallas star, and Terry Wogan: encounter is screened again tonight on BBC 1, 7.50

am not sure I understand what Detrick Buttress's play Happy C 2, 9.00) is trying to say. It is about a marriage that is king up because the husband insists on looking after his iges, mentally-handicapped, brother at home when there are set far better suited to do the job. I suppose some irony could wind in the fact that, despite his handicap, the young chap e only one in the story who does not seem to be irked verything from plastic salads in the staff canteen in cular to human relations in general, Happy is his mental lion, I suppose you could say. Max Hafter manages the cult role of the afflicted boy with complete conviction, rry Wogan Meets JR (BBC 1, 7.50) sounds rather like those I Abbott and Costello comedies in which the two comedians to come up against legendary monsters like Dracula. am not sure I understand what Derrick Buttress's play Happy to come up against legendary monsters like Drzcula, yde and Frankenstein's creation. And, indeed, tonight's 'amme—a repeat screening of Mr Wogan's encounter with ballas actor in the Friday Night . . . Saturday Morning is a skin to those old Hollywood movies in the sense that Hagman's J. R. Ewing is a bit of a monster and Mr Wogan, senter of programmes, is a bit of a comedian.

be Sun Trap, a new comedy series which begins its run by (BBC 1, 8.20) is about a group of British exiles plomatic ex-diplomat, weather forecaster under a cloud, journalist with cosmic delusions) who have bought villas is the first series of the cosmic delusions. island off the Spanish coast. Given such an assortment of cters, the comic possibilities seem endless, and what gives ry reason to expect that the comedy will not only be broad ep, is the fact that the author of the series is David who wrote The Rise and Fall of Reginald Perrin. id always suspected that I was not the only person to enjoy always suspected that I was not the only person to enjoy will at One (BBC 1, 1.00). Viewers of Barry Took's the Points of View (BBC 1, 8.50) have voted this relaxed, ly and infinitely varied lunchtime show their favorite TV mme, and Marian Foster, one of its resident interviewers,

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avourite presenter.
ing wrongly attributed Gertrude Stein's A Rose is a s a Rose to Dorothy Parker some weeks ago, I feel I must breefly credit Miss Parker with something, and it is her ated dramatic monologue A Telephone Call, which Beth reads on Radio 3 at 8.05 tonight. Tomorrow night; by Parker's The Waltz... Radio 3's music broadcasts tinclude a Chopin recital by André Tchaikovsky at 8.25 ting the Senate No. 2's and the Sibeling Supplement No. 5's and 5's an ling the Sonata No 3) and the Sibelius Symphony No 6, by the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra (at 9.30).

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BBC 1 Human factors in aviation; 7.05
Nuclear power USA; 7.30 The
nature of chemistry. Cluse down at
7.55.
10.15 For Schools, Colleges:
Merry-go-Round (Keep up with the
times); 10.35 Going to Work
(safety at work). Close down at
10.55.
11.25 You and Me: How to make

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10.55. 11.25 You and Me : How to make souvlaki. And an English version of a traditional Greek-Cypriot story.

11.40 Schools, Colleges: Everyday
Maths. Close down at 12.00.

12.45 pm News and weather.
1.00 Pebbie Mul at One: Music
features, and interviews from the
BBC's Midlands studios. (See Personal Choice).

1.45 Camberwick Green: puppet
show for the very young. show for the very young.

2.02 For Schools, Colleges: Episode one of The Kids are Okay.
Children caught up in parents' unhappiness (r); 3.20 Pobol y Cwm;
Serial in Welsh; 3.55 Play School: Wilms Horsbrugh's story The Train to Glasgow.
4.20 Maxidog: cartonn. Fig in the Warm South (r). 4.25 Baggy Pants

11.00 Play School : The same as

3.10 pm Snooker: Embassy World

Professional Snooker Champion-ship: Cue action today from Terry Criffiths, Perrie Mans, John Spencer and Eddle Charlton. Fur-ther transmissions at 6.55, 9.55 and 11.30.

and 11.30.

4.50 Open University: Michelson Interferometer; 5.15 Earth science topics; 6.05 Circulation of the blood; 6.30 Electricity tariffs.
6.55 Snooker: Another trausmission from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield: frame of the day.

9.30 am Schools: English programme (immigration); 9.57 Stop.
Look, Listen (a summer and winter woodland); 10.10 Alive and

Kicking (children's feelings);

11.55 Beany and Cecil: cartoon. 12.00 A Handful of Songs: From Maria Morgan and Keith Field. 12.10 Once Upon a Time: Peter Davison tells a story.

12.30 Moneywise: Public Trans-

port. The cuts in public services.
Presenters are Derek Cooper and
Shella Duffy.
1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News.
1.30 Together: The serialized story

of flat dwellers at Rutherford Court. Today: preparations con-tinue for the farewell party for the

2.00 After Noon Plus: The latest

human predicament to be dis-cussed by viewers, brought into the

BBC1, 3.55, Closedown at 11.25.

BBC 2

THAMES

Choice).
8.50 Points of View: Viewers' letters, answered lightheartedly by Barry Took. (See Personal Choice). 9.00 News: with Peter Woods. 7.20 News; with sub-titles for the seas, which produced an urbanized hard of hearing. 7.30 Gardeners' World: The front garden at Clack's Farm begins to undergo some changes. Also Sheila Macqueen plants and arranges some small flowers, and Clay Jones explains his cropping plan for the translature. 6.40 am Open University; Lan-guage development; 7.05 Zone Fossils; 7.30 Aluminium in Lyne-mouth. Closedown at 7.55.

7.55 Newsweek : Ireland-7.55 Newsweek: Ireland—Republicans and Loyalists. Second and final part of Keith Kyle's examination of the root causes of the long-running conflict. Tonight, he looks at the strengths and origins of the Ulster Loyalist tradition and its role in Ireland today.

8.30 Vikings!: Sixth film in the series of 10. Presented by the BBC's resident Viking, Magnus Magnusson. Tonight: the Viking incursions around the northern games at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. Further coverage at 11.30.

10.45 Newsmight: News and current affairs.

11.30 Snooker: Final transmission of the day from the Embassy World Professional Championship.

12.00 The Outer Limits: The Premonition. Hollywood space fiction series. A test pilot's family is in deadly danger as time is frozen around him.* Ends at 12.55 am.

studio to meet Mavis Nicholson, is the fear of growing old. 2.45 Film: Young and Innocent (1937). One of Alfred Hitchcock's early British-made thrillers. Nova Pilbeam plays the chief constable's daughter who helps Derrick de Marney to prove he is innocent of

10.31 Living and Growing (social development); 10.48 About Books (animals in literature); 11.10 Reading with Lenny; 11.22 Leapfrog (maths); 11.39 Over to You (all about time). 4.15 The Boy Merlin : The case of the vanishing stone table (r).
4.45 Magpie: the children's magazine. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm: The Irish souvenir that could cause a breach of the peace at the farm. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. 6.30 Thames Sport : With Allan Taylor, Brough Scott and John Taylor.

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London Weekend 7.00 Play Your Cards Right : Bruce Forsyth in action once again, turn-ing over glant playing cards and putting some contestants' nerves to the test. 7.30 The Comon and Rall Show Special guest is Peggy Mount, in a sketch about cake-making. The res-ident singing group is Ritz. 8.00 Hawaii Five-0; The Shallow 9.25 The Eddie Capra Mysteries: Crime thriller. A poker champion is poisoned in Las Vegas.
10.15 Rosie: Comedy series (seven all told) about the police, CID and uniform branch (r). 10.45 News.
10.50 Film: New Face in Hell (1967). Private-eye thriller about a detective (George Peppard) hired by a tycoou (Raymond Burr) to act as bodyguard for his mistress (Gayle Hunnicutt). Directed by John Guillermin. Ends at 12.40 am. Regions

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 7.00,8.00 News.

and the Nitwits: two cartoons.
4.50 Bine Peter Special Assignment: Blanche Raveler plays Marie Antoinette in this dramatized reconstruction of her life. Filmed at Versaliles (r). 5.35 Captain Pugwash: The Fruit Machine (r). 5.40 News: with Peter Woods. 5.55 Nationwide: includes Desmond Lynam's Sportswide.
7.00 Bugs Bunny: cartoon. Backwoods Bunny. 7.10 The Woonderful World of Disney: Part one of The Ballad of Hector, the Stowaway Dog: tale of a travelling circus. 7.50 Terry Wogan meets JR: Repeat screening of the Wogan interview with Larry Hagman, the unspeakable J. R. Ewing in the Dallas films (see Personal Choice). 8.20 The Sun Trap: First in a new comedy series about a group of British exfles living on a Mediterranean Island off the coast of Spain. With Donald Churchill, Joan Benham, Graham Crowden 28C 1 VARIATIONS: Cymru/Wales: 1.45 pm By 3 Bawd. 4.50 1ren Scroch. 5.10 God's Wonderful rallway. 5.55 Wales Today. 7.00 Music Pobol y Corn. 10.55 music 7.20 Pobol y Corn. 10.55 music 7.20 Pobol y Corn. 10.55 music 7.20 Fibral Routing Robert Wagner). 12.43 am Wealher Scotland: 12.40 pm Scotlan News. 5.55 Reporting scotland. 10.15 The Brechgrove Garden. 10.45 News and weather 12.40 am News. 5.55 Scotland: 12.40 am News. 5.55 Scotland: 15.15 Jazz Club. 10.45 News and weather. 15.30 gm News. 5.55 Scotland: 15.50 Jazz Club. 10.45 News and weather. 15.40 gm News and weather. Benham, Graham Crowden Zena Walker (see Personal weather.

England: 5.55pm-6.20 Regional mag-azinos. 10.15 East. Weekend: London and South-east. Rosie: Midlands. The Garden Game: North Let the People Talk: North-east. The Control of the 1881 7: 500th-west. Pre-Storm inheritance: South-west. Newwaldh: West. The Fly and the Eagle. 12.40 am Close.

seas, which produces an arounded and settled society. 9.00 Playhouse: Happy. Drama, by Derrick Buttress, about a mentally-handicapped youth (Max Hafler) looked after by his brother (Paul Copley) whose wife (Lynne Miller) decides to leave him (see Personal Choice)

Choice).

9.55 Snooker: Action from today's games at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield. Further coverage at 11.30.

10.45 Newsnight: News and cur

5.50 am Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. and Writing.

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11.45 Luke's Kingdom: Episode two of this case of the loves and

of jewels are stolen, and there is a suggestion of things supernatural. 9.00 The Geotle Touch: Tales of a

woman's son becomes an under-age drinker.

10.00 News. 10.30 Soap: The further adventures of the scatty Tate and Campbell families. Ulster Grampian As London except; Staris 9.25 am First Thins. 1.20 pm News. 2.45 Film: Big Job (Sidney James, Sylvis Syns). 5.15 Emmerdale Fatm. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.35 Sportscalt. 8.00 BJ and the Bear. 10.30 Conference Report. 11.00 Ice Hockey. 11.30 Reflections. 11.35 Police Woman. 12.30.am News. two of this saga of the loves and lives of the Firbeck family, who have left England to live in Australia in the 1830s. With Oliver Tobias. Border As Loudon except: 11.38 am Scottish History, 1.20 pm News, 2.45 House-party, 3.15 Love Boat, 5.15 Fanglace, 6.00 Lookaround, 6.30 Thingummylis, 8.00 Incredible Hulb. 10.30 Scottish TUC, 11.00 Final Whistle, 11.30 Motorway, 12.30 am News. 12.45 am Close: Dorothy Tutin

RADIO

In; Religious Education; Adventure. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: Introduc-tion to Arabic (4).

8.30 Headlines. Yesterday in Parliament. Radio 3 6.55 am (mw only) Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Donizetti, Johann Strauss; Montayo, Sarasate. News. Desert Island Discs. Down the Garden Path. 10.00 News. 10.05 From Our Own Correspon. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Mozart (K364— Sammons/Tertis/Harry), Liszt.† 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 The Children of Dynmouth

9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer : Bax (Sym 7).†
10.00 Young Artists: Pixis, Finzl.†
11.00 Harpsichord: Bach, froberger, Handel.†
11.25 Cello: Marrion, Barber.†
12.10 pm BBC Welsh SO/Tzlpine, pt 1: Weber, Tchalkovsky (Pno Conc 1—Orozco).† .00 News. 1.00 News. 1.05 A Power to Choose. 1.50 Bird of the Week. 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.27 My Music.† 12.55 Weather. .00 The World at One. 1.00 News. 1.05 BBCWSO, pt 2 : Berlioz (Sym

.00 News. .02 Woman's Hour. Fant) † 2.00 Hereford Cathedral : reflec-1.00 News. 1.02 Listen With Mother. tion in words and music.†
3.00 Quartet (Vermeer),
Mozart (K575), Debussy.†
3.55 Interval reading. 3.15 Play: Getting Away, by Peter Whalley.† 1.10 A Singer Remembers. 4.00 Vermeer Ortet, pt 2: Schumann (op 41 no 1.)†
4.35 Minimal Music: Steve Reich.† 4.45 Story: A Trip to Egypt. 5.55 Weather. 5.00 News. 5.30 Going Places. .00 News

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5.06 (mw and mono only from
6.20) Music for early evening.†
6.55 (mw only) Play It Again:
preview.
7.00 Record: Hummel.†
7.30 Plano (A. Tchalkovsky, live
from Broadcasting Centre, Birmingham), pt 1: Haydn, Schubert
(D784).†
8.05 Monologue: A Telephone
Call, by Dorothy Parker.
8.25 A. Tchalkovsky, pt 2: Chopln.† 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week.† 8.10 Profile. 8.30 Any Questions? 8.30 Any Questions : 9.15 Letter from America. 9.30 Kaleldoscope. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.35 Week Ending.; 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 1.15 Financial World Tonight pin.† 9.15 Virgil's Eclogues : 9 and 10. 11.30 Today in Parliament. 11.45 BBC Sound Archives. 9.30 Finnish RSO/Segerstam: Sibelius (Sym 6).† 10.05 The English Ayre (5).† 10.25 Quartet (Dartington): 12.00 News. 12.15-12.23 am Weather. 10.25 Quartet (Darringto Haydo, Schoenberg (op 45).† 11.15 Music from India.† 11.55-12.00 News.

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Much More Music, † 5.00 News.
5.05 Waggoners' Walk, 5.20 Much
More Music, † 6.03 John Dunn, †
8.02 Jim Macleod and his Band, †
8.45 Friday Night is Music Night, †
9.55 Sports Desk, 10.02 Marks in
his Diary, 10.30 The Organist
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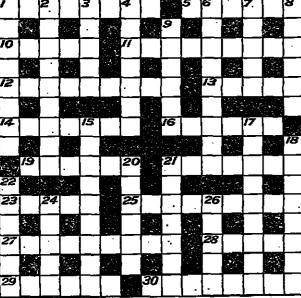
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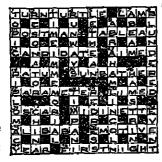
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